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PERSONAL ITEMS.

LIEUTENANT S. A. DYER, 23d U. S. Infantry, is a recent arrival at Fort Davis, Tex.

CAPTAIN J. M. BELL, 7th U. S. Cavalry, will go abroad soon to spend several months.

LIEUTENANT JOHN GUEST, 8th U. S. Cavalry, has returned to Fort Meade from the front.

COLONEL J. N. G. WHISTLER, U. S. Army, retired, is spending the winter at Ridgeland, Mont.

LIEUTENANT J. F. KNEPS, 22d U. S. Infantry, and bride, will, after a short tour, join at Fort Buford, N. D.

LIEUTENANT T. R. ADAMS, 5th U. S. Artillery, re-joined at Fort Monroe, Va., on Monday from a short leave.

CAPTAIN C. R. BARNETT, U. S. A., quartermaster at Governor's Island, N. Y., is visiting at Fort Monroe, Va.

LIEUTENANT EDGAR RUSSEL, 3d U. S. Artillery, is shortly due at San Antonio to join Burbank's light battery.

LIEUTENANT WILBUR LOVERIDGE, 3d U. S. Art., of Fort McHenry, Md., visited at Fort Monroe, Va., this week.

CAPTAIN THOMAS WILHELM, 8th U. S. Infantry, is expected in St. Paul in a few days for a tour of recruiting duty.

LIEUTENANT SAMUEL RODMAN, Jr., 1st U. S. Artillery, has returned to Fort Columbus, N. Y. H., from a trip to the West.

The next retirement for age is that on March 9 of Col. Henry Douglass, 10th U. S. Infantry, at present on leave in the East.

MAJOR THOMAS WARD, assistant adjutant general, U. S. A., has re-joined at Vancouver Barracks from a trip to San Francisco.

COLONEL JOHN M. WILSON, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., returned to West Point this week from a brief visit to Washington.

LIEUTENANT J. V. S. PADDOCK, 5th U. S. Cavalry, on sick leave from Fort Reno, is spending the winter at Kansas City, Mo.

CAPTAIN H. W. WESSELLS, Jr., 3d U. S. Cavalry, was to leave San Antonio this week for the North to spend three or four months.

CAPTAIN J. W. DILLENBACK, 1st U. S. Artillery, who is on a few weeks' leave from Fort Hamilton, is a recent visitor in Washington.

MAJOR JOHN E. TOURTELLOTT, U. S. A., retired, formerly A. D. C. to Gen. Sherman, from 1871 to 1884, is wintering at La Crosse, Wis.

CAPTAIN JAMES M. MARSHALL, assistant quartermaster, U. S. A., has now got comfortably seated at his new post of duty, Helena, Mont.

COLONEL JOHN MENDENHALL, 2d U. S. Artillery, commandant of Fort Adams, R. I., looked up old friends in New York City this week.

LIEUTENANT HARRY R. LEE, 11th U. S. Infantry, on a fortnight's leave from Madison Barracks, Sackett's Harbor, is visiting at Providence, R. I.

CAPTAIN B. K. ROBERTS, 5th U. S. Artillery, and Mrs. Roberts have returned to Fort Canby from a pleasant fortnight's visit to Vancouver Barracks.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL R. F. O'BRIEN, 15th Inf., now in New York City on leave, will attain a colonelcy March 9 next by the retirement of Col. Douglass.

CAPTAIN WALTER REED, assistant surgeon, U. S. Army, who was recently called to Montana by the exigencies of field service, will return to Baltimore in a few days.

Captain W. D. Dietz, assistant surgeon, U. S. A., has prepared a "Soldier's First-Aid Handbook," which will shortly be issued by John Wiley and Sons, New York City.

LIEUTENANT MILLARD F. WALTZ, 12th U. S. Inf., just relieved from college duty at Garden City, L. I., will spend a few weeks on leave before joining his company at Fort Sully.

CAPTAIN A. H. MERRILL, 1st U. S. Artillery, is in command of Fort Columbus, N. Y. H., during the absence of Majors Haakin and Parling on Court-martial duty at Fort Monroe.

LIEUTENANT LEA FEBIGER, 23d U. S. Infantry, who was called North by the death of his father, Col. Geo. L. Febiger, U. S. A., will remain at New Haven, Conn., for some weeks to come.

MAJOR SAMUEL OVENSHINE, 23d U. S. Infantry, will attain a lieutenant colonelcy, and Capt. Samuel Munson, 9th Infantry, a majority, early in March next by the retirement for age of Col. Douglass.

One of the fashionable weddings of the season was that in New York City on Tuesday evening, at the Church of the Heavenly Rest, of Mr. A. Treadwell, son of the late Col. Thomas J. Treadwell, U. S. A., to Miss Marion Abbot, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Abbot.

GENERAL MILES is fond of good living, says the Philadelphia Inquirer, "and when he is in the field his 'mess' is most plentifully supplied. He believes also in feeding his soldiers well, and, unlike Julius Caesar, holds to the opinion that a soldier can fight better on a full stomach than when weakened by the pangs of hunger."

LIEUTENANT JOHN P. FINLEY, Signal Corps, U. S. Army, has been elected a member of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific, San Francisco, Cal.; also of the American Academy of political and social Science, Philadelphia. By special invitation of the California Academy of Science, Lieut. Finley read a paper on the Meteorology of the Pacific Coast at a recent meeting of that society.

CHAPLAIN W. J. LARKIN, U. S. A., is a recent guest at the Merchants' Hotel, St. Paul.

MAJOR ROBERT E. WHITE, U. S. A., post surgeon of Fort Myer, visited Old Point Comfort this week.

PROFESSOR GEORGE L. ANDREWS, U. S. A., registered at the Grand Hotel, New York City, early in the week.

CAPTAIN A. L. MYER, 11th U. S. Infantry, is at Mt. Morris, N. Y., looking after likely young recruits for his regiment.

LIEUTENANT H. G. SICKEL, 7th U. S. Cavalry, is due shortly at Vermillion, South Dakota, for duty at the university.

COLONEL ALFRED LACY HOUGH, U. S. A., retired, has recently joined the New York Commandery of the Loyal Legion.

LIEUTENANT J. E. NORMOYLE, 23d U. S. Infantry, was expected this week at Fort Davis, from a tour of detached service at Fort Bliss, Texas.

Mrs. HELEN PECK SMITH, wife of Col. Alfred T. Smith, 8th Inf., U. S. A., is at 376 Warren ave., Chicago, Ill., visiting Gen. John E. Smith, U. S. A.

LIEUTENANT JOHN POPE, Jr., 1st U. S. Artillery, who is on leave in the West, will return to Fort Wadsworth, Staten Island, about the latter part of February.

The North Carolina Senate enacted recently that "Jan. 19, the birthday of peerless Robert E. Lee, shall in each and every year hereafter be a public holiday."

Mrs. MANN, widow of the gallant Lieut. J. D. Mann, 7th U. S. Cav., has gone to St. Joseph, Mo., for a few months and will eventually make Washington her home.

CHAPLAIN EDWARD VATTMANN, U. S. A., who went to Pine Ridge to report to Gen. Miles, finds his first post of duty at that not unpleasant station—Fort Meade, S. D.

MAJOR-GENERAL NELSON A. MILES, U. S. A., and staff have returned to Chicago, somewhat tired after their experiences at the front, but generally in good physical condition.

LIEUTENANT SAMUEL SEAY, Jr., 21st U. S. Inf., recently assigned to college duty at Lake City, Fla., is a Tennessean, so will occasionally have an opportunity to visit his native State.

There is a growing opposition in the West to the passage by Congress of acts granting pensions to officers in the Union Army during the Civil War larger than are allowed privates.

QUARTERMASTER GENERAL R. N. BATCHELDER, U. S. A., is a recent visitor at Fort Bliss, Texas, on business connected with the contemplated erection of a new post in the vicinity of El Paso.

CAPTAIN WM. H. MILLER, U. S. A., retired, of Kansas City, is the general agent for the Army and Navy Department of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, of Springfield, Mass.

LIEUTENANT T. G. HANSON, 19th U. S. Infantry, who has been on sick leave at Hot Springs, Ark., from Fort Leavenworth for some months past, is expected soon to join for duty at Fort Wayne, Michigan.

1st LIEUTENANT EUGENE A. ELLIS, 8th U. S. Cav., an efficient officer of nearly 15 years' service, will be appointed regimental adjutant in succession to Lieut. Charles M. O'Connor, whose staff term expires March 31, 1891.

The American Society of Civil Engineers at the reception given by them last week in New York, had supper served at 21.30 o'clock, according to the system of noting time adopted by the society; in other words at 9.30 P. M.

Mrs. A. K. ARNOLD, who has been East since August, returned to Fort Custer Jan. 17. Cadet Arnold, who resigned from the West Point Military Academy, was not Cadet S. Benjamin Arnold, Class of '92, son of Col. A. K. Arnold.

The Cincinnati Commercial Gazette publishes an interesting letter dated North Bend, April 7, 1838, from Gen. Wm. Henry Harrison, grandfather to the President, to Mr. A. B. Howell, on the subject of duelling and the sentiments and practices in regard to the code which prevailed in the U. S. Army in his day.

At a meeting of the Military Service Institution at Governor's Island, Jan. 28, Major-General O. O. Howard was elected First Vice President, Gen. T. F. Rodenbough, Second Vice President, Major W. L. Haakin, Secretary, Lieut. J. C. Bush, Treasurer, and Lieut. Guy Howard, Assistant Secretary and Vice Treasurer.

COLONEL H. P. CURTIS, U. S. A., and Miss Curtis, now in England, are expected home towards the end of February, when Colonel Curtis will go to St. Paul for duty on the staff of General Ruger. They are having a generally pleasant time abroad, although the winter weather has been by no means propitious.

LIEUTENANT W. E. BIRKHIMER, 3d U. S. Artillery, returned to Fort Monroe, Va., early in the week from a trip to Washington on business connected with the case now before the General Court at Fort Monroe, of which he is the judge advocate. The Court resumed its sessions on Tuesday after a week's adjournment.

The Louisville Courier-Journal publishes an interesting article on the great Quartermaster's Depot at Jeffersonville, Ind., in which it says: "Col. Hodges, Assistant Quartermaster General, U. S. A., the active officer in charge, takes pride in improving and keeping the place in order, and no wonder it is really beautiful."

A LOCKPORT despatch, referring to the disappearance of Lieut. Thomas J. Watkins, 11th U. S. Inf., from Fort Niagara, says: "He disappeared on Nov. 23, leaving a handsome wife whom he married about a year ago—a Miss Root, a belle among the Army officers and daughter of a wealthy fruit grower of Youngstown." He is now liable to be dropped for desertion.

COLONEL ELMER OTIS, 8th U. S. Cavalry, is a recent visitor in St. Paul to be examined for retirement.

MAJOR JOHN R. MCGINNESS, Ordnance Department, U. S. A., was expected to visit Fort Leavenworth, Kas., this week, where he has many old friends.

CAPTAIN D. F. CALLINAN, 1st U. S. Infantry, who has been at Pine Ridge Agency, has relinquished duty and gone on leave for two months on account of sickness.

COLONEL J. F. KENT, U. S. A., inspector-general on Gen. Ruger's staff, was recently at Fort Meade to investigate the escape of Big Foot's band on the night of Dec. 23 last.

HON. J. F. FINERTY, in the Chicago Herald, under the heading "Men Who Fight the Sioux," gives graphic histories of Gens. Miles and Carr, Col. Henry and Buffalo Bill.

CAPTAIN C. M. GANDY, assistant adjutant-general, who, while on leave at Ocean View, N. J., was ordered to active service at Pine Ridge, is expected back at Ocean View in a few days.

Mrs. THROCKMORTON, wife of Major C. B. Throckmorton, 3d Art., is visiting, for a few weeks, her mother, at 121 C street, Washington, D. C. The major is stationed at Fort Schuyler, N. Y.

The San Antonio Express prints an interesting letter from Capt. J. M. Burns, 17th U. S. Infantry, on matters at Pine Ridge, to Gen. D. S. Stanley, on whose staff Capt. Burns served for some years.

MAJOR G. M. RANDALL, U. S. A., will, consequent upon his recent promotion to a majority, relinquish recruiting duty at Indianapolis, where he will be succeeded by Captain Alfred Morton, 9th U. S. Infantry.

CAPTAIN RICHARD VANCE, 19th U. S. Infantry, after a pleasant recruiting tour at Hagerstown, Md., will start in a few days for Terre Haute, and look out for likely young Indians desirous of military service.

CAPTAIN CHAS. P. EAGAN, U. S. A., returned to San Antonio, Jan. 23, from Mexico, and afterwards left for San Francisco. He has been looking after mining interests in Mexico while on leave, but expects to return to duty soon.

LIEUTENANT HENRY R. LEMLY, 3d U. S. Artillery, who is on leave at Bogota in the service of the Colombian Government, is doing most successful work in the military department, and is held in high appreciation by the authorities.

REAR ADMIRAL D. MCN. FAIRFAX, U. S. N.; Major J. P. Sanger, U. S. A.; Paymaster-General Edwin Stewart, U. S. N.; Major W. H. Powell, U. S. A., and Col. Geo. L. Andrews, U. S. A., have recently joined the District of Columbia Commandery of the Loyal Legion by transfer.

COLONEL JOHN MENDENHALL, 2d U. S. Artillery, has appointed Captains J. G. Ramsay and H. G. Litchfield, and 1st Lieut. C. E. Kilbourne, 2d U. S. Artillery, a Regimental Board to arrange for the competitions in heavy artillery firing provided for in G. O. 132, A. G. O., of 1890.

LIEUTENANT F. W. ROE, U. S. A., aide-de camp to General Brooke, and his efficient adjutant-general at Pine Ridge Agency, is to join the District of Columbia Commandery of the Loyal Legion at the meeting to be held February 4. He is the only son of Rear Admiral Francis Asbury Roe, U. S. N., retired.

CAPTAIN GEORGE S. ANDERSON, 6th Cav., leaves Washington and a host of friends this week for his new station in the Yellowstone Park. Lieut. Wm. Baird, who is sure of a captaincy at an early date, now that three of his seniors have been pronounced disabled for active service, will succeed him in command of Troop B, at Fort Myer.

CAPTAIN JOHN W. MARTIN, 4th U. S. Cavalry, who is at Geneva, N. Y., awaiting retirement, being recently interviewed on the subject of the massacre at Wounded Knee, gave some interesting reminiscences of Indian campaigns in which he participated, especially one in 1878 when serving in Clarence Manck's troop of the 4th U. S. Cavalry.

LIEUTENANT H. H. LUDLOW, 3d U. S. Artillery, of Washington Barracks, is on regimental recruiting duty at Knoxville, Tenn., and the Journal of that city says: "The lieutenant is an old friend. He was attending the East Tennessee University, being in the senior class at that institution when he received the appointment to West Point in 1872, his family at that time residing in Knoxville."

CAPTAIN (NOW MAJOR) DUNWOODY, U. S. A., has been the recipient of not a few congratulations on his well-earned promotion, and during the past week has not only had his new commission forwarded to him, but has had another visitor of a decidedly unwelcome nature. The scarlet fever has invaded his house, and one of his little nephews has been quite ill but is now in a fair way for recovery.

A WASHINGTON correspondent names Mrs. De Meisner, wife of a Russian diplomatist, nee Miss Sophie Radford, author of "The Terrace of Mon Desir;" Mrs. Eliott, wife of a Russian naval captain, nee Miss Kate Selfridge; the wife of Count Lauza and daughter of Dr. Hammond among the American ladies marrying abroad. He also states that the wife of Chief Engr. Menocni, U. S. Navy, is a Cuban by birth but a staunch American in spirit.

"MANY happy returns of the day" to Gen. J. C. Tidball, U. S. A., born Jan. 25; to Col. O. D. Greene, A. G., born Jan. 25; to Lieut.-Col. J. S. Casey, 1st Inf., born Jan. 28; to Major W. H. Bell, C. S., born Jan. 28; to Capt. R. Norwood, retired, born Jan. 28; to Lieut.-Col. T. H. Stanton, A. P. M. G., born Jan. 30; to Col. Chas. E. Compton, 4th Cav., born Jan. 28; to Capt. J. M. Ingalls, 1st Art., born Jan. 25; to Maj. E. M. Conates, 19th Inf., born Jan. 29; to Capt. W. H. Bisbee, 4th Inf., born Jan. 28; to Capt. J. H. Smith, 19th Inf., born Jan. 20; to Capt. W. H. H. Crowell, 6th Inf., born Jan. 25; to Capt. W. H. Pease, retired, born Jan. 30; to Capt. L. F. Burnett, 7th Inf., born Jan. 25; to Major Edward Moore, 1st Inf., born Jan. 20; to Capt. Mason Carter, 6th Inf., born Jan. 30.

CAPTAIN J. M. SAKNO's company, H, of the 7th U. S. Infantry, has again won the Nevada Trophy presented by the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL. We congratulate the company.

LIEUTENANT JOHN T. THOMPSON, Ordnance Department, U. S. A., and Mrs. Thompson, are visiting relatives at Cincinnati, and afterwards go to Newport. R. L., Lieut. Thompson's new station.

GENERAL W. A. HAMMOND, U. S. A., and Dr. John Paxton, were among the principal speakers of the 8th annual dinner of the Medical Society of Jurisprudence held in New York City on Saturday evening last.

CAPTAIN GEORGE F. TOWLE, 19th U. S. Infantry, commandant of Ft. Brady, Mich., will leave there in a few days to spend three months on leave. During his absence Capt. J. G. Leele will be in command at Fort Brady.

COLONEL R. E. A. CROFTON, 15th U. S. Infantry, was expected to reach Fort Sheridan, Ill., this week, with regimental headquarters, band, etc. This will make an additional attraction to this already most attractive post.

GENERAL D. W. FLAGLER, U. S. A., has received many congratulations upon his appointment to the head of the Ordnance Department, and a most successful administration of the department by him and his assistants is predicted.

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF W. G. YEAKY, of the G. A. R., has issued an order announcing the death of Past Commander-in-Chief Charles Devens, which he concludes by saying: "Brave general, upright judge, inspiring orator, great-hearted friend and comrade, farewell."

A CYNICAL Italian journalist has been telling his countrymen how to make their fortunes. All they have to do, he says, is to go to America, work as laborers until they have saved £90 or £100, and then return to Italy, buy a title, and again go to America and marry an heiress!

The 10th annual reunion of the Roanoke Association will be held at the American House, Hanover street, Boston, on the afternoon of Saturday, Feb. 7. Business meeting at 1 o'clock; dinner at 2 o'clock. All who took part in the Burnside expedition are cordially invited to join. Dinner tickets, to include other expenses, \$2.50; to be obtained of W. E. Richardson, 50 Central wharf.

At the Union League Club, Jan. 24, Elihu Root, treasurer of the Arthur Memorial Fund, reported that the memorial at Albany had been paid for in full and that four thousand and some hundred dollars remained untouched in the treasury. It was voted that this sum be turned over to the committee which has charge of the erection of a statue to Gen. Arthur in New York City.

EAST 17th street, New York City, seems to be a favorite location for Army people. Col. Vollum, is at No. 231; Mrs. Benjamin, widow of Colonel S. N. Benjamin, at 235; Mr. George B. McClellan, son of the late General McClellan, at 215; Mrs. King, late U. S. A., at 220 East, and a number more reside further down. The family of Gen. O. B. Willcox, of Washington, when visiting New York make Stuyvesant square their home.

The marriage of Lieut. Harry G. Trout, 9th U. S. Cav., to Miss Edith S. Burt, daughter of Lt. Col. Andrew S. Burt, 7th U. S. Inf., took place Jan. 15 in the Episcopal Church at Rock Springs, Wyo. The military and their friends were present in force, and it was a very pretty wedding, indeed. After the ceremony a reception was held at Col. Burt's quarters at Camp Pilot Butte, and then the newly married pair left for the East on their wedding tour.

MAJOR-GENERAL O. O. HOWARD, U. S. A., in a recent article on Indian matters at Pine Ridge, the Agency system, etc., says: "Gen. Miles is an able man, with great experience in war. He has the qualities that go to make up a successful leader, courage, energy, persistence, and unchanging reliance. He has to help him in the field such tried men as Gen. Brooke, Col. Forsyth, Sumner, Shafter, Carr, Henry, Merriam, Poland, and a host of others, with a body of regular soldiers who will obey orders even to abstain from fighting, however much provoked, and will endure the rigors of the keenest cold, the thermometer often ranging many degrees below zero; but these men are good markers of indomitable courage, and will, as at Wounded Knee, give a dreadful reckoning to the hostiles if they again renew the bloody contest."

The following Army officers registered at the War Department this week and last week: Major and Bvt. Col. Albert Tracy, ret.; 1st Lieut. C. L. Steele, 18th Inf.; Lt.-Col. Lewis Merrill, ret.; Capt. H. Johnson, Med.; 2d Lieut. C. H. Cochran, 7th Inf.; 2d Lieut. S. L. Faison, 1st Inf.; 1st Lieut. G. N. Whistler, 6th Art.; Lieut.-Col. J. J. Upham, 3d Cav.; Maj. D. W. Lockwood, Engs.; 1st Lieut. J. E. Runcie, 1st Art.; 1st Lieut. Geo. A. Zinn, Engs.; 2d Lieut. Clarence H. Edwards, 23d Inf.; 2d Lieut. E. F. Taggart, 6th Inf.; Major Wm. L. Haskin, 1st Art.; Capt. Geo. A. Hull, Q. M. D.; 2d Lieut. W. P. Burnham, 6th Inf.; Capt. John W. Dillenback, 1st Art.; Col. John W. Wilson, Supt. West Point; Major W. C. Raymond, Engs.; 1st Lieut. J. T. French, 4th Art.; Capt. W. H. Clapp, 16th Inf.; Capt. Jas. E. Pihler, Med.; 2d Lieut. J. F. Kreps, 22d Inf.; Major I. Arnold, Ord. Dept.; Capt. S. L. Woodward, 10th Cav.

CHIEF ENGINEER ROBERT POTTS, U. S. N., sailed for France on Saturday last on the steamer *La Bourgogne*.

NAVAL CONSTRUCTOR JOHN F. HANSCOM, U. S. N., registered at the Brevoort House, New York City, on Monday.

CAPTAIN W. S. SCHLEY, U. S. N., paid a brief visit to friends in New York this week, making his headquarters at the Grand Hotel.

It is proposed to incorporate in the Naval Appropriation bill a proviso requiring the examination of marine officers for promotion.

A DISTINGUISHED English naval architect, Mr. Byce, builder of the *Regina Regenta* and the *Despatch*, is here studying American methods,

ENSIGN VAN DUKE, of the Navy, has been notified to hold himself in readiness for sea service within a month, and expects orders early in February.

LIEUTENANT C. M. MCCARTNEY, U. S. N., has received preparatory orders for sea duty, probably on the *Lancaster*. He is residing at 3123 Dumbarton avenue, Georgetown, D. C.

CAPTAIN W. S. SCHLEY, Comdr. C. H. Rockwell, Capt. Henry Erben, Comdr. George C. Reiter and Lieut. C. F. Norton registered at the Navy Department during the current week.

THE proofs of the Navy Register for 1891 are being read at the Navy Department, but it will be some little time before this much sought after volume is ready for distribution.

CAPTAIN W. S. SCHLEY, U. S. N., who came home recently to attend the marriage of his daughter, will, after a brief round of visits, rejoin his good ship, the *Baltimore*, in European waters.

ENSIGN J. M. ELLICOTT, U. S. N., is at present busily engaged in collecting data and information for a projected lecture on the old Spanish missions of Lower California.

REAR ADMIRAL J. C. FEBIGER, U. S. N., who was called to New Haven recently by the death of his brother, Colonel G. L. Febiger, U. S. A., was a guest at the Hoffman House, New York City, early in the week.

AS WAS surmised at the time, the illness of Chief Engineer De Vallin is of such a nature that his return to duty on the *Baltimore* is looked upon as improbable, and Chief Engr. Robert Potts has been ordered to relieve him.

ENSIGN AND MRS. CHARLES W. JUNGEL, of the Navy, have arrived in Washington from San Francisco and are residing at 25 Lafayette Square. Mr. Jungel, having been assigned to duty in the Bureau of Naval Intelligence, will probably remain in Washington until 1893.

CHIEF ENGINEER MOORE, as Vice Commander of the California Commandery of the Loyal Legion, on a recent trip to Tacoma, Wash., extended his visit to Fairhaven, where his son is in business, and expresses himself much pleased with that part of the United States.

CAPTAIN THOS. O. SELFRIDGE, U. S. N., attended the banquet of the Commercial Club, of Boston, on Saturday evening last, and the Nicaragua Canal being the subject discussed gave an interesting resume of the work accomplished and the present interesting state of the enterprise.

PASSED ASSISTANT ENGINEER JOHN PEMBERTON, U. S. N., having failed to pass the physical examination for promotion to chief engineer, will be placed on the retired list as soon as his case can be disposed of by the Retiring Board. The case of P. A. Engr J. J. Barry, U. S. N., is in the same category.

MISS GRACE TAYLOR, daughter of Medical Inspector W. E. Taylor, U. S. N., who has been spending the last month at the capital, has been suddenly recalled to San Francisco by the alarming illness of her father. Dr. Taylor has been on the retired list for many years, and the most of the time has been in somewhat delicate health.

ASSISTANT ENGINEER T. W. KINKAID, U. S. Navy, and Mrs. Kinkaid are enjoying a tour of duty in Alaskan waters, he being the engineer officer in charge of the *Pinta*. Since their sojourn in that part of the world the family has increased one-third, the latest addition peering out upon the Chinooks of the neighborhood as though native and to manner born.

CAPTAIN A. V. REED, U. S. N., and family, are at length comfortably and pleasantly situated in their home at the Pensacola Navy-yard. The portion of the yard facing the house offers one of the most agreeable prospects, and but for the being "so far away," the situation would have everything to recommend it. Mrs. Reed's health has been somewhat improved since leaving Washington.

A WASHINGTON gossip writes to the Philadelphia *Inquirer*: Another notable engagement is that of Arthur Peterson and Miss Harrah. Mr. Peterson is a P. A. Paymaster in the U. S. Navy, and recently returned from a three years cruise on the *Monongahela*. He is now on shore duty at the New York Navy-yard. Miss Harrah is a sister of Charles Harrah, president of the Midvale Steel Works. The wedding, it is said, will take place early in March.

CAPTAIN SCHLEY, according to a Baltimore reporter, says of his ship, the *Baltimore*, "She is the finest, fastest and best war vessel in the world." "When the French and Italian naval officers came aboard, the looks of astonishment depicted in their faces was amusing. 'How do you keep everything so clean?' they would ask. They were told that cleanliness was one of the essentials of a man-of-war. The foreigners never keep their ships in the shape that we do, and we always take the shine off them."

PAY DIRECTOR JOHN S. CUNNINGHAM, U. S. Navy, and Mrs. Cunningham are at the Cosmopolitan Hotel, Nice, France. Referring to Mr. Edward Vial, the U. S. Vice Consul at Nice, the veteran pay director says: "He is the Navy's best friend for a quarter of a century. I made him purveyor of the fleet and banker on the advent in 1866 of the first fleet our Government was able to send to the Mediterranean after the war. Vial has been such a comfort, prompt and generous, and unselfish, to the fleet, that all the squadrons and ships have only been too glad to seek his friendship."

"MANY happy returns of the day" to Capt. A. Kautz, born Jan. 29; to Capt. H. F. Picking, born Jan. 28; to Lieut. Comdr. I. Hazlett, born Jan. 29; to Lieut. Comdr. R. M. Berry, born Jan. 28; to Lieut. H. G. O. Colby, born Jan. 28; to Lieut. L. C. Logan, born Jan. 30; to Lieut. W. L. Field, born Jan. 31; to Lieut. Comdr. J. G. Eaton, born Jan. 28; to Lieut. W. H. Turner, born Jan. 28; to Lieut. K. Rohrer, born Jan. 28; to Lieut. W. F. Low, born Jan. 26; to Lieut. R. Mitchell, born Jan. 26; to Lieut. L. C. Heilner, born Jan. 29; to Lieut. R. Hunt, born Jan. 31; to Lieut. H. M. Hughes, born Jan. 28; to Surg. H. C. Eckstein, born Jan. 31; to Surg. J. A. Hawke,

born Jan. 31; to P. A. Surg. E. W. Augal, born Jan. 26; to P. A. Surg. F. A. Hesler, born Jan. 26; to Chief Engr. R. Aston, born Jan. 31, and [to Chaplain J. S. Wallace, born Jan. 29.

AT the annual meeting of the American Society of Naval Engineers held recently the following officers were elected for the year: President, P. A. Engr. George W. Baird; secretary and treasurer, Asst. Engr. Emil Theiss; council, P. A. Engr. Geo. W. Baird, Asst. Engr. Theiss, Chief Engr. David Smith, and Asst. Engrs. W. M. McFarland and S. H. Leonard. The report of the secretary and treasurer shows the society to be in a flourishing condition, there being a large increase in membership within the last year and a balance of \$500 in the treasury, with no debts. The subject of "Trial Trips and the Lessons to be Learned from Them" will be further discussed at the next meeting.

RECENT DEATHS.

A DESPATCH of Jan. 28 from Alcatraz Island says: "Capt. Wm. D. Dietz, ast. surg., U. S. Army, and his wife were found dead this morning at 11.30. Capt. Dietz first shot his wife and then himself with a double barreled shotgun. Mrs. Dietz is the daughter of Capt. W. W. Tyler, 13th U. S. Inf., now at Sackett's Harbor, N. Y., awaiting retirement. Capt. Dietz was born in Georgia and appointed assistant surgeon Dec. 3, 1863. He was highly respected by all who knew him. They leave a small child two years old."

THE first vessel commanded by Capt. John McGowan, U. S. R. M., whose death we noticed last week, was the outer *Gallatin*, on which he went to Charleston, S. C., on account of the nullification troubles in 1832 and 1833. He was on the outer *Jackson* on the Florida coast in 1836, and took part in the Seminole War at that time. In the outer *Forward*, 6 guns, in 1846 and 1846, he took part in the attack on Alvarado, Oct. 13, and the capture of Frontera, under Commodore M. C. Perry, U. S. N.; the attack on San Juan, Oct. 24; also the attack on Tobacco, and was on despatch duty during the remainder of the war. He went out to the Pacific Ocean as 1st lieutenant of the iron revenue bark *Polk* in 1850, and was stationed at San Francisco, Cal., for several years; was commissioned captain Dec. 2, 1852, resigned in San Francisco in June, 1853, and entered the Pacific Mail Line on that coast, and commanded the *George Law* for several years. Besides his son, Comdr. John McGowan, U. S. N., and his daughter, Mrs. Harmony, he leaves another daughter, the wife of Col. James Biddle, U. S. A. The late Passed Asst. Paymr. Wm. C. McGowan, U. S. N., was also a son.

A CABLE message was received in Washington early in the week from an American missionary at St. Thome, Africa, saying that Emory H. Taunt, formerly lieutenant, U. S. Navy, commercial agent of the U. S. at Boma, Congo Free State, died at Boma Jan. 18. No particulars were given. Mr. Taunt was born in New Jersey and entered the Naval Academy July 24, 1865. He was graduated as midshipman June 4, 1869, and rose to the rank of lieutenant. In October, 1867, he absented himself for several days from his ship, the *Nipic*, lying in New York harbor. He was tried for the offence in November following and was sentenced to be dismissed, but was allowed to resign, as it appeared his mind and health had been affected by African fever while exploring the Congo. In December, 1888, he was appointed U. S. Consular Agent at Boma, on the Congo, which position he held till his death.

A MEMORIAL service for the late General Terry, was held in New Haven on the evening of Jan. 21, under the auspices of Admiral Foote Post. G. A. R., of which he was a member, and the Grays, the military organization of which General Terry was once a captain, joining it when he was 18. Battle flags and a life sized portrait decorated the church. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. H. L. Wayland, late chaplain, 7th Conn. Vols., and Rev. H. C. Trumbull, late chaplain, 10th Conn.

MISS MARIE L. GARESCHE, eldest daughter of the late Col. Julius P. Garesché, U. S. A., died at Washington, D. C., Jan. 21. Col. Garesché, a gallant officer, was killed at the battle of Stone River, Tenn., Dec. 31, 1862.

MRS. CHARLES H. BIGELOW, widow of Capt. Chas. H. Bigelow, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., died Jan. 14, at Pittsfield, Mass. Capt. Bigelow, died, April 15, 1862, at New Bedford.

GENERAL PONCE, Commander-in-Chief of the Army of the U. S. of Colombia, died Jan. 12 at Panama.

JERVIS MCENTREE, the well known artist, who died Jan. 27 at the old McEntree household, in Rondout, N. Y., was brother of the wife of Major John N. Andrews, 21st U. S. Inf.

INDIAN BREVETS.

To the Editor of the Army and Navy Journal:

THE indifference shown in the War Department on the subject of sending in the names of officers for confirmation for gallantry in Indian engagements, does not stimulate young officers to deeds of gallantry in the present Indian troubles. Because a few are clamoring for what they don't deserve, why fail to reward the worthy? It is thought that if any officers were in Washington who had ever seen or fought an Indian, this indifference of action would not exist, and some thought might be given to this subject of Indian brevets. An officer in the War Department writing to a line officer says: "Stagnation is the only name he can give to the indifference manifested in the matter of Indian brevets."

BIG FOOT.

THE exhibition at Jamaica will, it is stated, be opened on Jan. 27 by Prince George of Wales, whose ship, the *Thrush*, and possibly some other vessels of the West Indian Squadron, will be at Port Royal about that date.

THE ARMY.

BENJAMIN HARRISON, President and Commander-in-Chief.

REDFIELD PROCTOR, Secretary of War.

LEWIS A. GRANT, Assistant Secretary of War.

CONFIRMATIONS.

All the Army nominations contained in last week's JOURNAL, except the 2d Lieutenants of the Signal Corps, were confirmed by the Senate Jan. 27. With these exceptions and the case of Lieut. Scribner, who was appointed to a lieutenant in the reorganized Signal Corps, the calendar has been cleared of all Army nominations.

Col. Daniel W. Ingler, to be Chief of Ordnance, was confirmed Jan. 28.

G. O. 1, H. Q. A., Jan. 2, 1891.

I. In accordance with the requirements of the Small Arms Firing Regulations, publishes tables, exhibiting the results of the rifle, carbine, and revolver firing of the Army for the target year 1890, and the comparative proficiency attained by the different organizations.

II. Co. H, 7th Infantry, having the highest "General Figure of Merit" for the year, is again awarded the Nevada Trophy, and the commanding officer of that company will hold it until the result of next year's firing is announced.

III. The tables giving the records of Departments and Divisions are based upon the limits of these commands as they existed prior to the promulgation of General Orders No. 84, Headquarters of the Army, series of 1890.

By command of Major-Gen. Schofield:

J. C. KELTON, Adjutant-General.

[As the results of the several competitions were duly given in the JOURNAL soon after they took place, the tables are omitted.]

G. O. 5, H. Q. A., Jan. 24, 1891.

The following act of Congress is published for the information and government of all concerned:

An act to amend section 1225 of the Revised Statutes, concerning details of officers of the Army and Navy to educational institutions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Section twelve hundred and twenty-five of the Revised Statutes, concerning details of officers of the Army and Navy to educational institutions, be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to permit the President to detail, under the provisions of said act, not to exceed seventy-five officers of the Army of the United States; and the maximum number of officers of the Army and Navy to be detailed at any one time under the provisions of the act passed September twenty-six, eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, amending said section twelve hundred and twenty-five of the Revised Statutes, is hereby increased to eighty-five: *Provided*, That no officer shall be detailed to or maintained at any of the educational institutions mentioned in said act where instruction and drill in military tactics is not given: *Provided further*, That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to prevent the detail of officers of the Engineer Corps of the Navy as professors in scientific schools or colleges as now provided by Act of Congress approved February twenty-six, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, entitled "An act to promote a knowledge of steam engineering and iron shipbuilding among the students of scientific schools or colleges in the United States."

Approved, January 13, 1891.

By command of Maj.-Gen. Schofield:

J. C. KELTON, Adjutant-General.

G. O. 6, H. Q. A., Jan. 26, 1891.

By direction of the Secretary of War paragraphs 536, 1162, and 1163 of the Regulations are amended to read as follows:

536. The stables of cavalry will be guarded by sentinels posted from the main guard, the subdivisions of which will be so arranged as to give cavalry soldiers this duty, under control of the officer of the day. The post commander will limit the number of sentinels to the least compatible with the protection of horses and property. Habitually one sentinel at each end of a row of eight or less troop stables will be ample for this duty. If less than three troops of cavalry are stationed at a post, one sentinel will be posted to the best advantage to secure safety of horses and property. A stable orderly, in addition to the stable sergeant, should always remain in the stable at night within easy call of the guard. These special details, as also that for herd guard when necessary, will be made and credited to the cavalry on proper rosters.

1162. The commanding officer of the post will see that this verification of quantities is made by the quartermaster, and at the end of each quarter he will send to the headquarters of his department, or, if serving at an arsenal or at an independent post or depot, to the Quartermaster General, through proper channels, a certificate in which he shall state that the verifications have been made, and that, in his opinion, the quantities actually on hand, as determined by such verifications, and certified to by the responsible officers, are correctly reported. This certificate will be made in duplicate, one copy of which will be filed with the post records. In case of excess, the quantity so found shall be taken up on Abstract F of the officer's return for the quarter. In case of deficiency, a board of survey shall be called to make a full investigation of the facts, which it will report, together with its conclusions as to the cause of such deficiency and the responsibility therefor.

Inventory of quartermaster's property.

1163. Every officer accountable for quartermaster's property (other than fuel, forage, and straw, the inventory of which is provided for in paragraph 1159) shall at the end of such quarter take an accurate and detailed inventory of such property; and the provisions of paragraphs 1161 and 1162 are made applicable to this paragraph.

By command of Major-Gen. Schofield:

J. C. KELTON, Adjutant-General.

G. O. 7, H. Q. A., Jan. 26, 1891.

By direction of the Secretary of War paragraph 466 (as amended by General Orders, No. 110, September 26, 1890, from this office) and paragraph 474 of the Regulations are amended to read as follows:

466. The orders announcing the death of a general officer on the active or retired list, or other person entitled to a salute of cannon, will specify the number of guns to be fired at half-hour intervals, commencing at 8 o'clock A. M. on the day after the receipt of the order, during which firing the flag will be displayed at half-staff. The number of guns will be that to which the deceased was entitled, and the posts at which they shall be fired will be designated in the order.

474. The funeral escort of the Secretary of War or General-in-Chief shall consist of a regiment of infantry, a battalion of cavalry, and two batteries of artillery; of the lieutenant general or the major general commanding, a regiment of infantry, a battalion of cavalry, and a battery of artillery; of a major general, a regiment of infantry, two companies of cavalry, and a battery of artillery; of a brigadier general, a regiment of infantry, a company of cavalry, and a platoon of artillery; of a colonel, a regiment; lieutenant colonel, six companies; a major, four companies; a captain, one company; a subaltern, half a company. The

funeral escort of a general officer, or of any other officer, either on the active or retired list, when the funeral occurs at any other place than a military post or camp, will only be ordered by the Commanding General of the Army, with the approval of the Secretary of War, and will consist of such number of troops, not exceeding that prescribed in this paragraph, as the interests of the service will permit to be assembled for that purpose. But in all cases where the funeral ceremonies take place at or in the immediate vicinity of a military post, or where the remains are conveyed through a military post en route to the place of burial, the above regulation relative to escort will be complied with, so far as the strength of the garrison will permit; the flag also will be at half-mast while the remains are at or in the immediate vicinity of the post; and in all such cases the department commander or the post commander will give the necessary orders.

By command of Major-Gen. Schofield:

J. C. KELTON, Adjutant-General.

G. O. 9, H. Q. A., Jan. 27, 1891.

The following order, received from the War Department, is published for the information of all concerned:

WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON CITY, Jan. 21, 1891.

By direction of the President all that portion of the State of South Dakota lying south of the forty-fourth (44) parallel of north latitude is transferred to the Department of the Platte.

The commanding general Department of the Platte will assume command of the territory and the troops serving therein.

By command of Maj. Gen. Schofield:

J. C. KELTON, Adjutant-General.

HDQRS. DEPARTMENT OF THE PLATTE,
IN THE FIELD.

CAMP AT PINE RIDGE AGENCY, S. D., Jan. 20, 1891.

G. F. O. No. 1.

All troops of this command with the exception of the 1st Infantry, will assemble in one camp at a point to be designated at the time of assembly, on White Clay Creek, near the mouth of Craven Creek, to-morrow the 21st instant.

The sites for the camps of the different commands will be indicated to them as they arrive upon the ground. The troops will be camped in line of battle, practically in accordance with plan herewith, Infantry, Cavalry, and Artillery.

The provisions of General Field Orders No. 1, November 24, 1890, from these Headquarters, will govern.

By command of Brig.-Gen. Brooke:

FAYETTE W. ROE, Aide-de-Camp.

G. O. 2, DEPT. OF TEXAS, Jan. 21, 1891.

Under the act of Congress approved October 1, 1890, entitled "An Act to promote the Administration of Justice in the Army," the jurisdiction of a garrison, or of a regimental court-martial attaches only in a case in which the accused objects to trial on being brought before a summary court. A violation of the statutory direction for trial within twenty-four hours after arrest does not itself destroy the jurisdiction of a summary court; and all cases proper for such a court, in which the exigencies of the service have prevented trial within twenty-four hours after arrest, should be brought before it for trial immediately after the exigency in each case shall have passed.

By command of Brig.-Gen. Stanley:

J. P. MARTIN, Asst. Adjt.-General.

STAFF CORPS AND DEPARTMENTS.

Adjutant and Inspector Generals.

Lieut.-Col. Geo. H. Burton, I. G., will proceed to Folsom, Cal., on public business (S. O. 4, Jan. 16, D. Cal.).

Major J. F. Kent, A. I. G., will proceed to Fort Meade and make certain investigations (S. F. O. 22, Jan. 18, Div. M.).

Major P. D. Vroom, I. G., will inspect the national cemeteries at Quincy, Keokuk, Rock Island and Camp Butler, and money accounts of disbursing officers at Quincy and Rock Island Arsenal (S. O. 8, Jan. 24, Dept. M.).

Quartermasters and Subsistence Departments.

To enable him to comply with S. O. 152, A. G. O., Comy. Sergt. Wm. N. Hutchinson will be relieved from duty at Fort Thomas, A. T., Jan. 31 (S. O. 7, Jan. 16, D. Ariz.).

Comy. Sergt. Marcus J. Pollak, on furlough, will proceed to Fort McHenry for duty (S. O. 7, Jan. 27, H. Q. A.).

Pay Department.

Major Wm. F. Tucker, paymr., will proceed to Fort Myer, Washington Bks., Fort McHenry and Fort Monroe to pay the troops to Jan. 31 (S. O., Jan. 26, H. Q. A.).

The troops will be paid, to include muster of Jan. 31, as follows: At the Cav. Rec. Depot and St. Louis Powder Depot, by Major C. I. Wilson, paymr.; at Fort Logan, by Major D. N. Bush, paymr.; at the Military Prison and Ord. Depot, Fort Leavenworth, and Forts Leavenworth and Riley, by Major G. R. Smith, paymr. (S. O. 9, Jan. 26, Dept. M.).

Medical Department.

The verbal orders of the Division Commander of Dec. 21, 1890, placing Asst. Surg. Francis J. Ives on duty as attending surgeon Division Headquarters in the field are confirmed (S. F. O. 21, Jan. 17, Div. M.).

A. A. Surg. Wm. Shippen is relieved from duty at Fort Abraham Lincoln and will return to Fort Buford for duty (S. O. 9, Jan. 19, D. Dak.).

The extension of leave on account of sickness granted Major Stevens G. Cowdrey, surg., is still further extended two months on surgeon's certificate (S. O., Jan. 23, H. Q. A.).

Major Wm. H. Gardner, surg., is relieved from further duty in the field, and will return to his proper station (S. O., Jan. 23, H. Q. A.).

Capt. Walter Reed, asst. surg., is relieved from temporary duty at Fort Keogh, to take effect as soon as his services can be spared, and will return to Baltimore and resume his duties as attending surgeon and examiner of recruits; Capt. Wm. O. Owen, Jr., asst. surg., is relieved from temporary duty with troops in the field, to take effect as soon as his services can be spared, and will return to Muskogee and resume his leave (S. O., Jan. 24, H. Q. A.).

Capt. Chas. M. Gandy, asst. surg., is relieved from temporary duty in the field, to take effect when his services can be spared, and will return to Ocean View, N. J., and resume his leave (S. O., Jan. 26, H. Q. A.).

Major Robt. H. White, surg., will proceed to Fort Monroe to testify as witness before the G. C. M. at that post (S. O., Jan. 27, H. Q. A.).

Capt. Robt. J. Gibson, asst. surg., is relieved from

temporary duty in the field and will return to New Haven and resume his leave (S. O., Jan. 27, H. Q. A.).

Capt. Wm. Stephenson, asst. surg., will proceed from Columbus Bks. to Fort Wayne for temporary duty (S. O., Jan. 28, H. Q. A.).

The verbal instructions of the major general commanding the Division, given Jan. 26, 1891, relieving Capt. Francis J. Ives, asst. surg., from duty with troops at Pine Ridge Agency, are confirmed (S. O. 7, Jan. 28, Div. M.).

Pvt. Wm. Obry is detailed on duty with the company of the Hospital Corps, and will report to Capt. Chas. B. Ewing, asst. surg., for duty (S. O. 18, Jan. 14, Div. M.).

There being no further need of their services at Pine Ridge the following men of the Hospital Corps will return to their stations, as follows: Hospl. Steward Henry Roepke, to Hot Springs; Pwts. Wm. Phillips, to Hot Springs; Charles Riebel, to Willets Point; Frank A. Bellows, to Jefferson Bks.; Daniel O'Harrow, to Columbus Bks., and Benjamin Viton, to Fort Niagara (S. F. O. 4, Jan. 20, D. Platte.).

The C. O. Fort McIntosh will send Asst. Hospl. Steward John Vantigue to Camp Pena Colorado for temporary duty (S. O. 6, Jan. 20, D. Tex.).

Hospl. Steward Frank X. Ulrich, Fort Snelling, will proceed to Davis Island for duty (S. O., Jan. 23, H. Q. A.).

Engineer and Ordnance Departments.

The following officers of the C. E., members of the board of visitors to the Engineer School of Application, will proceed to Willets Point Feb. 12 to attend the semi-annual examination: Col. David C. Houston and Lieut.-Col. Geo. L. Gillespie (S. O., Jan. 27, H. Q. A.).

Leave for 15 days is granted Adtl. 2d Lieut. Edgar Jadwin, C. E. (S. O. 6, Jan. 27, C. E.).

Signal Corps.

The following officers, recently appointed in the Signal Corps, will continue on duty in the office of the Chief Signal Officer, Washington: Major Henry H. C. Dunwoody and Capt. Richard E. Thompson. Capt. Thompson will remain on duty as a member of the board of officers appointed in connection with World's Columbian Exposition (S. O., Jan. 28, H. Q. A.).

The resignation by Major Henry H. C. Dunwoody, S. C., of his commission as captain, 4th Artillery, only, has been accepted by the President to take effect Jan. 24, 1891 (S. O., Jan. 28, H. Q. A.).

1st Class Pvt. Marcus J. Wright, Jr., will proceed to Arthur City, Tex., to make arrangements for the construction of a river gauge and attaching it to one of the piers of the railroad bridge (S. O. 7, 1890, Sig. Office.).

Chaplain.

Post Chaplain Edward J. Vaitman will proceed to Fort Meade and report for duty (S. O. 20, Jan. 16, Dept. M.).

THE LINE.

The Stations of Companies not mentioned here will be found by reference to last number of the JOURNAL.

1st Cavalry, Colonel James S. Brislin.

Hdqs., A. B. D. E., and G. Ft. Custer, Mont.; I, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; C, F., and H, Ft. Assiniboine, Mont.; K, Camp Sheridan, Wyo.

Capt. C. C. Carr, now on duty in the field, will proceed to Fort Leavenworth for examination for promotion (S. O. 17, Jan. 13, Div. M.).

2d Lieut. Godfrey H. Macdonald is detailed as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Grove City College, Grove City, Pa. (S. O., Jan. 26, H. Q. A.).

Leave for one month is granted 1st Lieut. H. G. Squiers, on duty with the 7th Cavalry at Fort Riley (S. O. 9, Jan. 26, Dept. M.).

2nd Cavalry, Colonel David R. Clendenin.

Hdqs., C, D, and H, Ft. Wingate, N. M.; G, Ft. Stanton, N. M.; B and I, Ft. Huachuca, Ariz.; A and K, Ft. Bowie, Ariz.; F, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; E, San Carlos, Ariz.

Leave for one month, with permission to apply for an extension of two months, to take effect about Feb. 3, is granted 2d Lieut. John S. Winn (S. O. 5, Jan. 14, D. Ariz.).

The recruiting rendezvous at Fort Lowell is discontinued, and 1st Lieut. F. W. Sibley, Adjt., recruiting officer, relieved (S. O. 8, Jan. 19, D. Ariz.).

The C. O. Fort Huachuca will grant Corp'l. William O'Neill, Troop I, a furlough for four months (S. O. 6, Jan. 15, D. Ariz.).

4th Cavalry, Colonel Chas. E. Compton.

Hdqs., A, C, D, and H, Ft. Walla Walla, Wash.; I and K, Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.; G, Ft. Sherman, Idaho; E, Vancouver Bks., Wash.; F, Boise Bks., Idaho; B, Ft. Myer, Va.

Capt. William A. Thompson is designated to inspect cavalry horses at Boise Barracks for Troop G (S. O. 7, Jan. 17, D. Columbia.).

5th Cavalry, Colonel James F. Wade.

Hdqs., B, C, E, G, and K, Ft. Reno, Okh. T.; D and H, Ft. Sill, Okh. T.; A and F, Ft. Supply, Ind. T.; I, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.

Trumpeter William J. Hart, Troop F, will be discharged the Service, Feb. 1, by the C. O. Fort Supply (S. O. 8, Jan. 24, Dept. M.).

6th Cavalry, Colonel Eugene A. Carr.

Hdqs., A, E, F, G, I, and K, Ft. Niobrara, Neb.; C, D, and H, Ft. McKinnon, Wyo.; B, Ft. Myer, Va.

Capt. Robert Hanna, having been found incapacitated for active service by a Retiring Board, will proceed to his home (S. O., Jan. 23, H. Q. A.).

So much of S. O. 17 as directs Capt. George S. Anderson to join his troop (I) at Pine Ridge, S. D., and thence proceed with it to station at Camp Sheridan, in the Yellowstone National Park, is amended to direct Capt. Anderson to proceed via St. Paul, there to have a consultation with the Comdg. Gen. Dept. of Dakota; thence to proceed to and take station at Camp Sheridan, to which post Troop I will be directed to proceed from Pine Ridge under the command of the senior officer present with the troop (S. O., Jan. 26, H. Q. A.).

Leave for one month is granted 1st Lieut. John N. Glass (S. O., Jan. 28, H. Q. A.).

Pvts. Hans Anderson and John Herman, Troop B, Fort Myer, qualified as sharpshooters in 1890.

7th Cavalry, Colonel James W. Forsyth.

Hdqs., A, B, C, D, E, G, I, and K, Ft. Riley, Kas.; F and H, Ft. Sill, Okh. T.

S. O. 302, Dec. 27, 1890, relating to Capt. James M. Bell, is revoked, and he is granted leave for one

year on Surgeon's certificate, with permission to go beyond sea (S. O., Jan. 23, H. Q. A.)

1st Lieut. Horatio G. Sickel is detailed as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the University of South Dakota, Vermillion, S. D. (S. O., Jan. 23, H. Q. A.)

1st Lieut. L. S. McCormick, Adjt., is detailed recruiting officer at Fort Riley (S. O. 9, Jan. 23, Dept. M.)

The C. O. Fort Myer will send Charles S. Ford, charged with desertion from Troop G, under guard to Washington Barracks (S. O. 16, Jan. 23, Div. A.)

A Pine Ridge correspondent, describing the review held Jan. 22, says: "As the 7th Cavalry passed Gen. Miles the entire staff doffed their hats, while the commander himself waved his white gloved hand. Troop after troop passed by with guidons that had been riddled by Indian bullets, until Troop B and Troop K came in view. The appearance of these troops aroused deep emotions. Troop B was not so large as those that had preceded it, and Troop K was even smaller. Troop K was without its officers, except a 2d lieutenant with a bandage about his head. But the gallant troopers who remained rode with a proud bearing."

8th Cavalry, Colonel Elmer Otto.

Hdqs., A, B, C, D, and I, Ft. Meade, S. D.; H and K, Ft. Keogh, Mont.; E, Ft. Buford, N. D.; F and G, Ft. Yates, N. D.

1st Lieut. John Guest, now sick at Pine Ridge, will proceed to Fort Meade (S. F. O. 22, Jan. 13, Div. M.)

Sergeant Jacob J. Wurfel, Troop E, will be discharged the Service Feb. 24, 1891 (S. O. 11, Jan. 22, D. Dak.)

Col. Sumner, with three troops of the 8th Cavalry and two companies of the 3d Infantry, returned to Fort Meade Jan. 22.

9th Cavalry, Colonel Joseph G. Tilford.

Hdqs., A, D, F, H, I, and K, Ft. Robinson, Neb.; B, Ft. Du Chesse, Utah; G, Ft. Niobrara, Neb.; E, Ft. Washakie, Wyo.; C, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.

1st Lieut. Matthias W. Day, Q. M., is relieved from further duty in the field, and will return to Fort Robinson (S. F. O. 2, Jan. 18, D. Platte.)

Lieut.-Col. George B. Sanford is relieved from duty with battalion under command of Lieut.-Col. Robert H. Offley, 17th Inf., and will report to Col. Frank Wheaton, 2d Inf., for duty with the cavalry battalion under his command (S. F. O. 3, Jan. 19, D. Platte.)

A writer in *Sturgis Weekly Record*, referring to recent affairs at Pine Ridge, says: "Say something of the brave 9th Cavalry. Tell how they marched ninety miles without halt or refreshment, getting into the agency as the bugles in the infantry camp were sounding reveille. Before they had unsaddled, even before they had breakfast, 'boots and saddles' rang out, and almost sooner than I can write they were clattering out to the relief of Capt. Loud's wagon train, three miles from the agency. Col. Henry's famous whistle told the troopers what to do."

1st Artillery, Colonel Loomis L. Langdon.

Hdqs., A, G, I, and K, Ft. Hamilton, N. Y.; C, D, and J, Ft. Wadsworth, N. Y.; E, Ft. Riley, Kas.; B, H, and M, Ft. Columbus, N. Y.; F, Ft. Monroe, Va.

* Light battery.

HQDQS. BATTALION 9TH CAVALRY,
WHITE CLAY CREEK, S. D., JAN., 1891.

Orders.

2d Lieut. J. L. Hayden, 1st Art., with two Hotchkiss guns, joined this battalion Christmas eve, participated in its 50 miles march, again in its march of 102 miles in 30 hours, again in the relief of the battalion wagon-train, again in the relief of the 7th Cavalry at the fight at the Mission. In this engagement the rapid and effective fire of his guns aided materially in frustrating the plans of the enemy. Lieut. Hayden and his detachment are entitled to much praise for their soldierly and zealous performance of duty. A copy of this order will be sent to Headquarters of the 1st Artillery.

By order of Major Henry:

ALEX. W. PERRY, 2d Lieut. 9th Cav.,
Battln. Adjutant.
PINE RIDGE, JAN. 22, 1891.

All the troops are encamped in line, running nearly two miles. Many expect to leave to-morrow for posts. Col. Henry, with his regiment, the 9th Cavalry, are designated to remain. A review will take place before the camp is broken up, and then for home.

2nd Artillery, Colonel John Mendenhall.

Hdqs., C, G, and H, Ft. Adams, R. I.; L, Ft. Trumbull, Conn.; E, Ft. Proble, Me.; B and D, Ft. Warren, Mass.; A, Ft. Riley, Kas.; F, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; I, Ft. Monroe, Va.; K and M, Ft. Schuyler, N. Y.

* Light battery.

Col. John Mendenhall will proceed to Governor's Island, N. Y., on public business, and on completion will return to Fort Adams (S. O. 11, Jan. 23, Div. A.)

2d Lieut. W. S. Peirce will report to the Board of Officers to meet, Feb. 17, at the Army Building, New York City, for examination with a view to selection for transfer to the Ord. Dept. (S. O., Jan. 27, H. Q. A.)

Corpl. Harry A. Seyler, Bat. B, will be discharged the Service, Feb. 15, by the C. O. Fort Warren (S. O. 13, Jan. 20, Div. A.)

3rd Artillery, Colonel Horatio G. Gibson.

Hdqs., A, C, E, H, K, and L, Washington Bks., D. C.; D, G, and I, Ft. McHenry, Md.; B and M, Ft. Monroe, Va.; F, Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.

* Light battery.

1st Lieut. William E. Birkhimer, J.-A. of G. C.-M. at Fort Monroe, Va., will proceed to Washington, D. C., on public business (S. O. 11, Jan. 23, Div. A.)

1st Lieut. Wilbur Loveridge will proceed to Fort Monroe, Va., on public business, and upon completion return to Fort McHenry, Md. (S. O. 12, Jan. 24, Div. A.)

4th Artillery, Colonel Henry W. Closson.

Hdqs., C, D, K, and L, Ft. McPherson, Ga.; B, Ft. Adams, R. I.; F, Ft. Riley, Kas.; E, Ft. Monroe, Va.; J, Jackson Bks., La.; A and M, Ft. Barrancas, Fla.; and G, St. Francis Barracks, Fla.

* Light battery.

In compliance with instructions to return Light Bat. F to Fort Riley, the detachment with 1st Lieut. Frederick S. Strong, at Fort Keogh, and that with 2d Lieut. George W. Gatchell, at Fort Lincoln, will proceed to Fort Snelling, Minn., and the platoon thus assembled will then proceed by rail, with its horses and guns complete, to Fort Riley (S. O. 11, Jan. 22, D. Dak.)

1st Lieut. A. B. Dyer is relieved from duty as re-

cruiting officer at Fort Riley (S. O. 9, Jan. 23, Dept. M.)

Pvt. Charles F. Lombard, Bat. M, will be discharged the Service, Feb. 13, by the C. O. Fort Barrancas (S. O. 11, Jan. 23, Div. A.)

1st Sergt. Raymond Beale, Sergt. G. C. Alston, and Pvt. M. Fitzpatrick, of Campbell's Bat. I, Jackson Barracks, qualified as sharpshooters in 1890.

5th Artillery, Colonel Alex. Piper.

Hdqs., B, D, F, and H, Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.; M, Ft. Mason, Cal.; E and L, Ft. Canby, Wash.; A and I, Alcatraz Island, Cal.; G, Ft. Monroe, Va.; K, Angel Island, Cal.; C, Sentinel Bks., Cal.

* Light battery.

The leave for seven days granted Capt. B. K. Roberts, Fort Canby, is extended seven days (S. O. 4, Jan. 12, D. Columbia.)

1st Infantry, Colonel William E. Shafter.

Hdqs., A, B, C, D, E, G, and H, Ft. Niobrara, Neb.; F, Ft. Gaston, Cal.

2d Lieut. F. A. Tripp will report to the Board of Officers to meet, Feb. 17, at the Army Building, New York City, for examination with a view to selection for transfer to the Ord. Dept. (S. O., Jan. 27, H. Q. A.)

The many friends of the 1st Infantry on the Pacific Coast are glad to learn that the regiment will soon return from Pine Ridge to its former stations.

2nd Infantry, Colonel Frank Wheaton.

Hdqs., A, B, C, D, E, F, G, and H, Ft. Omaha, Neb.

Lieuts. J. K. Waring and Thos. H. Wilson, now on duty in the field, will proceed to Fort Leavenworth for examination for promotion (S. O. 17, Jan. 13, Div. M.)

3rd Infantry, Colonel Edwin C. Mason.

Hdqs., A, D, E, G, and H, Ft. Snelling, Minn.; B, C, and F, Ft. Meade, S. D.

Sergt. J. Kristensen, Co. K, Fort Snelling, tried by General Court for disobedience of orders (failing to prevent certain recruits, under primary instruction in marching, from swinging their arms), has been acquitted.

5th Infantry, Colonel Nathan W. Osborne.

Hdqs., D, and E, Ft. Bliss, Tex.; B and C, Ft. McIntosh, Tex.; A and G, Ft. Ringgold, Tex.; H, Ft. Hancock, Tex.; F, Ft. Davis, Tex.

Co. D, encamped at Fort McIntosh, will proceed to Fort Bliss for station. Co. B, Fort Bliss, will proceed to Fort McIntosh and take station. Cos. A and G, encamped at Fort McIntosh, will march to Fort Ringgold (S. O. 6, Jan. 20, D. Tex.)

Capt. Thos. H. Logan, having been found incapacitated for active service by a Retiring Board, will proceed to his home (S. O., Jan. 23, H. Q. A.)

It seems to have been decided that the 5th Infantry will remain for the present in the Dept. of Texas, notwithstanding Dame Rumor.

6th Infantry, Colonel Melville A. Cochran.

Hdqs., F, and G, Ft. Thomas, Ky.; E, Newport Barracks, Ky.; A, Ft. Wood, N. Y.; B and D, Ft. Porter, N. Y.; C, Ft. Ontario, N. Y.; H, Plattburgh Barracks, N. Y.

Leave for ten days is granted 2d Lieut. Elmore F. Taggart (S. O., Jan. 23, H. Q. A.)

Corpl. William Hanna, Co. D, will be discharged the Service, Feb. 27, by the C. O. Fort Porter (S. O. 13, Jan. 26, Div. A.)

5th Infantry, Colonel August V. Kautz.

Hdqs., A, E, and G, Ft. McKinney, Wyo.; C, D, and H, Ft. Robinson, Neb.; F, Ft. Washakie, Wyo.; B, Ft. Omaha, Neb.

Leave until further orders on account of disability is granted 1st Lieut. Wallace Mott (S. O., Jan. 24, H. Q. A.)

9th Infantry, Colonel Charles G. Bartlett.

Hdqs., B, C, and H, Whipple Bks., A. T.; E, San Diego Bks., Cal.; D and G, Ft. Huachuca, A. T.; A and F, Ft. Wingate, N. M.

Capt. Alfred Morton will proceed to Indianapolis, Ind., and assume charge of the rendezvous in that city (S. O. 15, Jan. 21, Rec. Ser.)

10th Infantry, Colonel Henry Douglass.

Hdqs., D, Ft. Marcy, N. M.; C and H, Ft. Union, N. M.; E, Ft. Lewis, Colo.; B, Ft. Stanton, N. M.; A and F, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; G, Oklahoma, O. T.

2d Lieut. J. A. Perry is relieved as recruiting officer at San Carlos (S. O. 5, Jan. 14, D. Ariz.)

11th Infantry, Colonel Richard I. Dodge.

Hdqs., A, B, D, F, G, and H, Madison Bks., N. Y.; C and E, Ft. Niagara, N. Y.

The leave for seven days granted 2d Lieut. Harry R. Lee, Madison Barracks, is extended eight days (S. O. 16, Jan. 28, Div. A.)

1st Lieut. Richard M. Blatchford is detailed member of Board of Survey at Madison Barracks, vice Capt. Ralph W. Hoyt, relieved (S. O. 16, Jan. 20, Div. A.)

Band Musician Carl Reinighaus (cornet and violin player), Davids Island, is designated for assignment to the band, 11th Inf. (S. O. 12, Jan. 17, Rec. Ser.)

19th Infantry, Colonel Edwin F. Townsend.

Hdqs., E, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; G and H, Ft. Yates, N. D.; B, C, and D, Ft. Sully, S. D.; F, Ft. A. Lincoln, N. D.; A, Ft. Bennett, S. D.

Leave for one month, from Jan. 16, is granted 1st Lieut. Millard F. Waltz (S. O. Jan. 22, H. Q. A.)

The journey made by Capt. Augustus G. Tassin from Fort Bennett to Pierre was necessary for the public service (S. O. 5, Jan. 20, Div. M.)

13th Infantry, Colonel Montgomery Bryant.

Hdqs., E and H, Ft. Supply, Ind. T.; G, Ft. Reno, Okh. T.; A, C, and D, Ft. Sill, Okh. T.; F, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; B, Guthrie, Okh. T.

Pvt. Louis Gelatzki, Co. B, will be discharged the Service, Jan. 25, 1891, by the C. O. Camp at Guthrie (S. O. 7, Jan. 21, Dept. M.)

1st Sergt. Peter Ripley, Co. F, has been placed on the retired list. He has a splendid record, including war service, and has the respect and best wishes of all in the 13th who ever met him, and his immediate company will feel as though one of their friends had left them. They all hope he may long enjoy the fruits of a long, faithful service well rendered.—K. C. Times.

14th Infantry, Colonel Thomas M. Anderson.

Hdqs., B, C, D, E, F, and G, Vancouver Bks., Wash.; A, Ft. Townsend, Wash.; H, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.

Leave for one month, to take effect Jan. 20, with permission to apply for an extension of two months, is granted Capt. Charles H. Warrens (S. O. 5, Jan. 20, D. Columbia.)

The C. O. Vancouver Barracks will grant a fur-

lough for six months to Sergt. William C. Boone Co. B (S. O. 7, Jan. 17, D. Columbia.)

15th Infantry, Colonel Robert E. A. Crofton.

Hdqs., E, and H, Ft. Sheridan, Ill.; F, Ft. Buford, N. D.; C, Ft. Randall, S. D.; B, Ft. Pembina, N. D.; A and G, Mt. Vernon Barracks, Ala.; D, Jackson Barracks, La.

The journeys by Capt. Chambers McKibbin, Jan. 27, 1891, from Fort Sheridan, Ill., to Chicago, Ill., and return, are confirmed (S. O. 7, Jan. 23, Div. M.)

Pvts. Thos. Fenton, A, and Thos. Hartford, G, qualified as sharpshooters in 1890.

16th Infantry, Colonel Matthew M. Blunt.

Hdqs., B, D, E, G, and H, Ft. Douglas, Utah; A, C, and F, Ft. Du Chesse, Utah.

Capt. William G. Wedemeyer, having been reported by an Examining Board as physically incapacitated for active service, the leave granted him is extended until further orders on account of disability (S. O., Jan. 23, H. Q. A.)

17th Infantry, Colonel Henry R. Misner.

Hdqs., A, B, C, D, E, F, G, and H, Ft. D. A. Russell, Wyo.

Lieut. E. S. Walker, now on duty in the field, will proceed to Fort Leavenworth for examination for promotion (S. O. 17, Jan. 13, Div. M.)

The C. O. Fort D. A. Russell will grant a furlough from Feb. 4 until May 3, 1891, to Sergt. Joseph Hohfeld, Co. F (S. O. 6, Jan. 19, D. Platte.)

The furlough for four months granted Sergt. William M. Morrow, Co. F, is extended two months (S. O. 4, Jan. 21, Div. M.)

19th Infantry, Colonel Charles H. Smith.

Hdqs., A, E, G, and H, Ft. Wayne, Mich.; B and F, Ft. Brady, Mich.; C and D, Ft. Mackinac, Mich.

The rendezvous at Hagerstown, Md., will be discontinued, and Capt. Richard Vance will proceed to Terre Haute, Ind., and relieve Capt. Alfred Morton, 9th Inf., from charge of the rendezvous in that city (S. O. 15, Jan. 21, Rec. Ser.)

Leave for three months, to take effect about Feb. 10, is granted Capt. George F. Towle (S. O., Jan. 23, H. Q. A.)

20th Infantry, Colonel Russell S. Otto.

Hdqs., A, B, D, E, G, and H, Ft. Assiniboine, Mont.; C and F, Camp Poplar River, Mont.

Leave for one month is granted 2d Lieut. Harry D. Humphrey, Camp Poplar River (S. O. 11, Jan. 22, D. Dak.)

The C. O. Camp Poplar River will grant Sergt. John Quinn, Co. C, a furlough to terminate April 25, 1891 (S. O. 12, Jan. 23, D. Dak.)

21st Infantry, Colonel Henry A. Morrow.

Hdqs., A, C, E, and G, Ft. Sidney, Neb.; B, D, F, and H, Ft. Douglas, Utah.

2d Lieut. Samuel Seay, Jr., is detailed as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the Florida State Agricultural College, Lake City, Fla., and will report for duty (S. O., Jan. 24, H. Q. A.)

22nd Infantry, Colonel Peter T. Swaine.

Hdqs., A, B, C, D, and F, Ft. Keogh, Mont.; G and H, Ft. Yates, N. D.; E, Ft. Buford, N. D.

Until further orders the station of Co. H (Ketchum's), will remain at Fort Yates, N. D. (S. O. 9, Jan. 19, D. Dak.)

Col. Swaine, in a regimental order announcing the death of 1st Lieut. E. W. Casey, killed Jan. 7, at White River, S. D., says: "Untrifling industry and peculiar fitness for the work of organizing, training, and civilizing Indians, have marked his efforts to advance the interests of the Indians under his charge. Gallant and courageous, possessing superior abilities, zealous in the discharge of all duties, courteous and kind. Lieut. Casey was a brilliant officer, and was held in high esteem by all with whom he associated and all who knew him, enlisted men cherished sentiments of warm affection for him, while even the families of his Indian camp evince their sorrow as children mourning the loss of a beloved father. That the regiment has lost one of its brightest ornaments is fully realized."

23rd Infantry, Colonel John J. Coppinger.

Hdqs., A, E, F, and H, Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.; B, C, D, and G, Ft. Davis, Tex.

1st Lieut. S. Allen Dyer, on detached service at Fort Hancock, will return to Fort Davis (S. O. 6, Jan. 20, D. Tex.)

2d Lieut. James E. Normoyle, on detached service at Fort Bliss, will return to Fort Davis (S. O. 6, Jan. 20, D. Tex.)

The leave granted 1st Lieut. Len Febiger, R. Q. M., is extended one month (S. O., Jan. 23, H. Q. A.)

24th Infantry, Colonel Zenas E. Bliss.

Hdqs., A, D, F, and H, Ft. Bayard, N. M.; B and C, Ft. Grant, Ariz.; E and G, San Carlos, Ariz.

2d Lieut. Carl Reichmann is appointed recruiting officer at San Carlos (S. O. 5, Jan. 14, D. Ariz.)

(For Late Army Orders see page 390.)

Appointments, etc., of Commissioned Officers and Retired Enlisted Men, U. S. A., recorded in the A.-G. O. during the week ending Jan. 24, 1891.

APPOINTMENTS.

Major Lewis Merrill (retired), to be Lieutenant-Colonel on the retired list, January 21, 1891, to rank from January 9, 1886 (act of September 27, 1890).

Captain Henry H. C. Dunwoody, 4th Artillery, to be Major in the Signal Corps, to rank from December 18, 1890, to fill an original vacancy.

Captain Robert Craig, Assistant Quartermaster, to be Captain in the Signal Corps, to rank from December 18, 1890, to fill an original vacancy.

Captain James Allen, 3d Cavalry, to be Captain in the Signal Corps, to rank from December 19, 1890, to fill an original vacancy.

1st Lieutenant Charles E. Kilbourne, 2d Artillery, to be Captain in the Signal Corps, to rank from December 20, 1890, to fill an original vacancy.

1st Lieutenant Richard E. Thompson, 6th Infantry, to be Captain in the Signal Corps, to rank from December 20, 1890, to fill an original vacancy.

2d Lieutenant William A. Glassford, Signal Corps, to be 1st Lieutenant, to rank from December 19, 1890, to fill an original vacancy.

2d Lieutenant Joseph E. Maxfield, Signal Corps, to be 1st Lieutenant, to rank from December 19, 1890, to fill an original vacancy.

2d Lieutenant Frank Greene, Signal Corps, to be

1st Lieutenant, to rank from December 20, 1890, to fill an original vacancy.

RETIREMENTS.

Brigadier-General Stephen V. Benét, Chief of Ordnance, January 22, 1891 (act June 30, 1882).
Major Lewis Merrill (retired), to be Lieutenant-Colonel on the retired list, January 22, 1891, to rank from January 9, 1886 (act of September 27, 1890).

CASUALTIES.

Colonel George L. Fobiger (retired), died January 22, 1891, at New Haven, Connecticut.
Major Eliza H. Ludington (retired), died January 21, 1891, at Uniontown, Pennsylvania.

Retired Officers.

Brig. Gen. William A. Hammond (retired), will proceed to Fort Monroe, Va., and report as witness before a G. C. M. (S. O., Jan. 26, H. Q. A.)

Military Academy.

Upon the recommendation of the Academic Board the following cadets of the 3d Class are turned back to join the present 4th Class at once: Butler Ames and George Vidmer (S. O., Jan. 26, H. Q. A.).

Upon the recommendation of the Academic Board Cadet William Yates, 2d Class, is granted leave until June 15, 1891, at which time he shall join the new 2d Class (S. O., Jan. 26, H. Q. A.).

Upon the recommendation of the Academic Board the following cadets of the 2d Class, reported as deficient in study, will be permitted to go on with their class and make up their deficiency to the satisfaction of the Academic Board by June, 1891: George H. McMaster and Frederic T. Stetson (S. O., Jan. 26, H. Q. A.).

Courts-martial.

The following courts have been ordered:

At Fort Washakie, Wyo., Jan. 26. Detail: Major Edgar R. Kellogg, 8th Inf.; Capt. Jerauld A. Olmsted and 1st Lieut. Montgomery D. Parker, 9th Cav.; 1st Lieut. Charles F. Mason, Asst. Surg.; 2d Lieut. Frederick V. Krug, 8th Inf., and 1st Lieut. Edward Lynch, 8th Inf., J.-A. (S. O., Jan. 19, D. Tex.).

At Fort Clark, Tex., Jan. 23. Detail: Capt. William H. McLaughlin, James H. Baldwin, and Robert F. Bates, 1st Lieut. Oliver B. Warwick, 3d Lieut. Percival G. Lowe, George D. Moore, and Charles J. Symmonds, 18th Inf., and 1st Lieut. Charles H. Cabanias, Jr., 18th Inf., J.-A. (S. O., Jan. 20, D. Tex.).

At Fort Shaw, Mont., Jan. 25. Detail: Capt. Charles Bentson, 25th Inf.; Post Chaplain George W. Simpson; Capt. Edward R. Morris, Med. Dept.; 1st Lieut. Charles L. Hodges and 2d Lieut. Charles S. Farnsworth, 25th Inf., and 1st Lieut. James O. Green, 25th Inf., J.-A. (S. O., Jan. 21, D. Dak.).

At Fort Wayne, Mich., Jan. 27. Detail: Major Henry R. Tilton, Surg.; Capt. Charles A. Vernon and Charles B. Hall, 1st Lieut. Alexander H. M. Taylor, 2d Lieut. Charles S. Fowler, Zebulon B. Vance, Jr., and William T. Wilder, 19th Inf., and 1st Lieut. Cornelius Gardner, 19th Inf., J.-A. (S. O., Jan. 24, Div. A.).

At Washington Barracks, D. C., Jan. 28. Detail: Major Edmund C. Bainbridge, Capt. James M. Lancaster and James Chester, 1st Lieut. Edward Davis and Joseph M. Califf, 2d Lieut. Ira A. Haynes, Peyton C. March, and John P. Hains, and Adjt. 2d Lieut. William S. McNair, 3d Art., and 1st Lieut. David J. Rumbough, 3d Art., J.-A. (S. O., Jan. 28, Div. A.).

At Fort Porter, N. Y., Jan. 29. Detail: Major William J. Lyster, Capt. James W. Powell, Jr., and Stephen Baker, 6th Inf.; Capt. Henry J. Haynesworth, A. Q. M.; Capt. Frederick W. Thibaut, 6th Inf.; Capt. Albert L. Myer, 11th Inf.; 2d Lieut. Harry H. Bandholtz, 6th Inf., and Capt. Charles G. Penney, 6th Inf., J.-A. (S. O., Jan. 26, Div. A.).

At Fort Adams, R. I., Jan. 29. Detail: Capt. Frank B. Hamilton and George Mitchell, 2d Art.; Capt. Arthur W. Taylor, Asst. Surg.; 1st Lieut. Walter S. Alexander and Clarence F. Townsend, 4th Art.; 2d Lieut. Isaac N. Lewis and Adjt. 3d Lieut. Daniel W. Ketoham, 2d Art., and 1st Lieut. William A. Simpson, Adjt., 2d Art., J.-A. (S. O., Jan. 27, Div. A.).

At Fort Barrancas, Fla., Feb. 3. Detail: Capt. William C. Gorgas, Asst. Surg.; Capt. Frederick Fuger, 1st Lieut. Charles L. Phillips, 2d Lieut. John T. Martin, Walter A. Bethel, and Morris K. Barroil, and Adjt. 2d Lieut. Maurice G. Krayenbuhl, 4th Art., and 1st Lieut. Charles L. Cortbell, 4th Art., J.-A. (S. O., Jan. 26, Div. A.).

Army Boards.

A Board of Officers will meet at the San Antonio Depot, Jan. 21, to fix responsibility for damaged condition of cloth and blanket, for which Capt. J. W. Summerhayes, A. Q. M., is accountable. Detail: Major DeWitt C. Poole, P. M.; Capt. Harvey C. Carbaugh, A. J.-A., and 1st Lieut. John E. Myers, 3d Art., I. S. A. P. (S. O., Jan. 20, D. Tex.).

A Board of Survey will assemble at Madison Barracks, N. Y., Jan. 29, to report upon certain shortages and discrepancies in clothing and equipment turned over to 1st Lieut. Lorenzo P. Davison, 11th Inf., at Fort Ontario, N. Y., in July, 1890, by 1st Lieut. Henry O. S. Heistand, 11th Inf. Detail: Major John H. Page and Capt. Ira Quinby and Ralph W. Hoyt, 11th Inf. (S. O., Jan. 27, Div. A.).

A Board of Officers, to consist of Col. R. P. Volium, C. M. P.; Lieut.-Col. C. T. Alexander, Surg.; Capt. A. H. Russell and O. B. Mitcham and 1st Lieut. W. B. Gordon, Ord. Dept., will meet at the Army Building, New York City, Feb. 17, for the examination of lieutenants of the line ordered to appear before it, with view to a selection for transfer to the Ordnance Department (S. O., Jan. 27, H. Q. A.).

Regiments.—We have corrected our list of stations to date so far as practicable, but as many of the troops at and near Pine Ridge are still unsettled as to permanent stations, we report them at the posts from which they went to the front until definite information as to new stations is received.—[Ed. JOURNAL.]

Hotchkiss Ammunition.—Whenever authority is given for the expenditure of Hotchkiss mountain gun ammunition in target practice at any post, the post commander will designate for each gun to be used, a gun detachment. This detachment, as far as practicable, will be the one to man the gun whenever taken into the field. Under the supervision of a commissioned officer it will conduct the firing practice. Extra cannoners may be added to the detachment for practice, so as to insure a full detachment of instructed men whenever necessary for field service.—(Letter A. G. O., Jan. 14.)

Summary Courts.—When recourse is had, within this command, to a regimental or garrison court-martial, the order convening such court shall be made to set forth the fact that the soldier to be tried objects to a hearing and determination of his case by summary court and requests trial by court-martial, or that the summary court is the accuser in the case.—(Letter, Hdqrs. Div. A., Jan. 27.)

DEPARTMENT NEWS.

Dept. of the Columbia.—Brig. Gen. John Gibbon.

Gen. Curry, W. N. G., has had a conference with 70 Indians, including all the chiefs in Okanogan county, and they agreed to stop dancing or carrying arms except when hunting, also to aid the

Federal authorities in bringing to justice the persons who sell liquor to the Indians. No further trouble is expected.

Division of the Atlantic.—Maj.-Gen. Howard.

A despatch from Fort Jefferson, Ky., states that a workman while digging recently found a straight and very heavy sword, then a steel breast plate and helmet and then some bones. On the handle of the sword is the name, "Hernando De Soto." Below is the coat of arms, which consists of a spring coiled out of a hillside, and close by the spring a child. Underneath this is the inscription, written in Latin, "The Spring of Youth." These few bones and implements of war are no doubt all that remains of the great De Soto.

A Washington despatch says: "The citizens of the States bordering on the Great Lakes are deeply interested in a bill of Gen. Cuthbertson's reported from the Military Committee, providing for a military post for cavalry and artillery at Swanton Junction on the Vermont border. This, in connection with the bill for enlarging Plattsburgh Bks. on the west shore of Lake Champlain, will furnish the means for such a prompt and effective advance on the Canadian canals in case of war with England as would prevent her gunboats from passing into the lakes." Maj.-Gen. Schofield in a report to the Secretary of War on the bill says:

"As a preparation for the execution of the harmonious political and military policy, in the event of any future necessity, it is necessary to maintain, at proper points on the northern frontier, the nuclei of troops of all arms—infantry, cavalry and artillery—where the forces from the adjoining States might immediately unite to take the initiative in such military movements as might be requisite to prevent the enemy from using his waterways to move gunboats into the lakes. With this end in view a cavalry station suitably located near the northern border of New England is requisite. An infantry and light artillery garrison at Plattsburgh and another at Madison Bks. are other essential features of this plan."

Dept. of Arizona.—Brig.-Gen. A. McD. McCook.

A Los Angeles, California, despatch says: "Information has been received by Gen. McCook that the San Carlos Apache, 'The Kid,' was recently killed by a detachment of Mexican troops, under command of Col. Kosterlitzky. The Indian killed was one of a party engaged in raiding a ranch in the neighborhood of the Sierra de la Caballera. From the report of Lieut. Hornbrook, who was sent after them, it appears that a party of about the size of the remnant of the Chiricahua band was guilty of this last outrage. The citizens of Tucson are making the usual howl on account of the order for the abandonment of their neighboring post of Fort Lowell."

Dept. of Dakota.—Brig. Gen. T. H. Ruger.

A St. Paul despatch, referring to troubles with Chippewa Indians at Thief River Falls, says: "Adjutant-General Mullen, M. N. G., has sent despatches to Capt. F. W. Burnham, 1st Regt., and A. J. Vaughness, 3d Regt., to hold their troops in readiness for the receipt of urgent orders. Gen. Ruger, commanding Dept. of Dakota, is giving the speak of war attention, but says he does not apprehend it will be necessary to order out Regulars from Fort Snelling."

COURTS-MARTIAL OF OFFICERS.

BEFORE a G. C. M. at Fort Sherman, of which Colonel W. P. Carlin, 4th Infantry, was president, was tried Captain Thomas P. Quinn, 4th Infantry. Charge I. Conduct to the prejudice, etc. Four specifications, alleging the reporting a private of his company as present for duty at various dates at Fort Spokane, well knowing the man was absent without permission from proper authority, working in a so-called company garden, and performing as company duties; reporting private as absent on detached service when they were present, and using disrespectful and insubordinate language in an official letter to the post adjutant, Fort Spokane, in regard to certain funds. Charge II. Conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman. Four specifications, alleging false statement with regard to a soldier working in a so-called company garden, stating that the post commander did not disapprove of company gardens, whereas he did, and presenting a fraudulent receipt to a council of administration. Charge III. Disobedience of orders. One specification, alleging that having received an order from the post commander to send certain receipted bills for expenditures made from company fund, did wilfully refuse to obey and did disobey said order. The Court found him not guilty of the first charge, not guilty of the second as laid, but guilty of conduct to the prejudice, and guilty of the third. Sentence—"To be suspended from rank and command for six months, to be confined within the limits of such post as may be designated by the reviewing authority, for the period of six months, and to forfeit \$75 per month for the same period." The proceedings, findings and sentence are approved. The sentence will be duly executed at the post where Capt. Quinn's company may be serving. Capt. Quinn was further arraigned before the same court on a charge unbecoming an officer and a gentleman, two specifications, alleging false statement against his post commander for using the post transportation for his own personal benefit for several days. On this charge he was found not guilty and acquitted. The reviewing authority (General Gibbon) approved the proceedings and findings.—(G. C. M. 2, D. Columbia, Jan. 12.)

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

WEST POINT, N. Y.

JAN. 20, 1891.

A VERY enjoyable reception was given on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 24, by Mrs. Postlethwaite to members of the 1st Class. Mrs. Postlethwaite was assisted in receiving by the young ladies of the post. In the evening a cadet hop took place, which proved larger than that given two weeks ago. Relatives of Cadet Ames have been among recent visitors. Dr. Carter is absent on a week's leave.

Cadet appointments to West Point have been issued during the past week to the following-named persons: John H. Leggett, Ransomville, 33d Dist., N. Y.; John C. Olmstead (alt.), Menomonee, 8th Dist., Wis.; Fred. F. Stegmeyer, Attica, 5th Dist., Ohio; Alfred B. Rose, Wichita, 7th Dist., Kan.; Herbert B. Seely (alt.), 351 W. 34th street, New York City, 11th Dist., N. Y.

The Kansas City Times of Jan. 18, in an article descriptive of a visit to the wounded of the 7th Cavalry at Fort Riley says, among other matters, that—"White Clay Creek, the day after Wounded Knee, came nearly furnishing the most terrible massacre of the century. By the timely arrival of Guy V. Henry with the 9th Cavalry upon the scene, the country was spared the lives of as brave a band of troopers as ever wore the uniform of any Government."

THE NAVY.

BENJAMIN F. TRACY, Secretary of the Navy
JAMES R. SOLEY, Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

NAVAL VESSELS IN COMMISSION.

WHEN AND WHERE LAST HEARD FROM.

N. Atl. Station.—R-Adm. Blunck Gherardi.
PHILADELPHIA, 1st rate, 12 guns (flagship), Capt. Frederick Rodgers. Arrived at Port au Prince Jan. 23.

KEARSARGE, 3d rate, 7 guns, Comdr. H. Elmer. At Norfolk, Va., Jan. 17. Expects to cruise to the West Indies.

DOLPHIN, 3d rate, 4 guns. Comdr. Yates Stirling. Sailed from Norfolk for Key West Jan. 26.

PETREL, 4th rate, 4 guns. Lieut. Comdr. W. H. Brownson. All mail for the ship should be addressed to Port au Prince, Hayti. Arrived at Port au Prince Jan. 27.

ENTERPRISE, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. G. A. Converse. At Colon Dec. 30.

VESUVIUS, 4th rate, 8 guns, dynamite cruiser, Lt. Seaton Schroeder comdg. At New York Navy-yard.

Squadron of Evolution.—Acting Rear Admiral John G. Walker.
Address Galveston, Texas, until Feb. 5.

CHICAGO, flagship, 1st rate, 14 guns, Capt. H. B. Robeson. Sailed from Norfolk, Jan. 23, for Key West.

ATLANTA, 2d rate, 8 guns, Capt. John W. Philip. At Norfolk, Va.

YORKTOWN, 3d rate, 6 guns. Commander F. E. Chadwick. Sailed from Norfolk, Jan. 23, for Key West.

BOSTON, 3d rate, 8 guns. Captain J. O'Kane. At Navy-yard, New York. Expects to be ready for sea by Feb. 1. Capt. O'Kane to be detached Feb. 6 and granted two months' leave. Capt. G. C. Wiltse ordered to command Feb. 4.

S. Atl. Station.—Rear Admiral W. P. McCunn.

Mails for Penacola, Tallapoosa and Essex should be addressed to the care of the U. S. Consul, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, or care of B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar Square, London, unless otherwise noted.

PENACOLA, 2d rate, 16 guns (flagship), Captain Albert Kautz. Arrived at Montevideo, Uruguay, Nov. 24.

TALLAPOOSA, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. James M. Forsyth. At Buenos Ayres at last accounts.
ESSEX, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. A. S. Snow. Arrived at Montevideo, Uruguay, Nov. 24.

Pacific Station.—Actg. Rear Adm. Geo. Brown.
Address all mail (unless otherwise noted) for the present to Navy Pay Office, San Francisco Cal.

CHARLESTON, 2d rate, 10 guns, flagship, Capt. G. C. Remey. Left San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 22, for Hawaii, with body of King Kalakaua on board.

INOQUIOS, 3d rate, 7 guns, Comdr. Joshua Bishop. At Pago Pago, Samoa Dec. 1.

MOHICAN, 3d rate, 10 guns, Commander E. M. Shepard. Spent Christmas week at Hilo. Returned to Honolulu Jan. 9.

Asiatic Station.—Rear Admiral G. E. Belknap.
Mails should be addressed, Yokohama, Japan, unless otherwise noted.

ALLIANCE, 3d rate, 6 guns, Commander Henry C. Taylor. At Kobe, Japan.

MONOCACY, 3d rate 6 guns, Comdr. M. L. Johnson. Arrived at Chemulpo Nov. 24.

OMAHA, 2d rate, (flagship), 12 guns, Captain B. J. Cronwell. At Chemulpo, Korea, Dec. 12. Orders were issued by the Navy Department Jan. 22 for the OMAHA to proceed to Panama with a view of reaching there in March. Mails should be addressed in care of U. S. Consul, Panama, U. S. C.

PALOS, 4th rate, 7 howitzers. Lieut. Comdr. Joseph Marthon. At Tientsin.

SWATARA, 3d rate, 8 guns, Comdr. P. H. Cooper. At Mare Island, Cal. Comdr. J. J. Read ordered to command. Will soon be put out of commission, as it has been ascertained that she cannot be repaired within the 20 per cent. limit.

Apprentice Training Squadron.

JAMESTOWN, 12 guns, Comdr. B. P. Lamberton. Sailed from Norfolk, Va., Jan. 15 on her winter cruise in West Indies.

PORTSMOUTH, 12 guns, Comdr. John Schouler. Reported to have sailed from Norfolk, Va., Jan. 15, for her winter cruise in West Indies.

Mails for this vessel should be sent by steamers leaving New York as follows: Until Jan. 30, inclusive, to care of U. S. Consul, Barbadoes, W. I.; Jan. 31 to March 3, inclusive, care of U. S. Consul, port of Spain, Trinidad; March 4 to April 10, inclusive, care of U. S. Consul, St. Thomas, W. I.; after the latter date to Fort Monroe, Va.

RICHMOND, 3d rate, 14 guns, Captain O. F. Stanton. At Newport, R. I., (receiving ship for boys).

YANTIC, 3d rate, 4 guns, Comdr. Chas. H. Rockwell. At Navy-yard, New York. It is rumored that she will be assigned to the Asiatic Station. Left Navy-yard, Jan. 26, under orders to destroy derelicts off Barnegat.

MINNESOTA, 19 guns, Capt. G. C. Wiltse. Receiving ship for boys. At present at the Brooklyn Navy-yard, N. Y. Capt. Wiltse detached Feb. 4 and ordered to command the Boston. Will shortly return to the North River.

On Special Services.

AND AWAITING ASSIGNMENT.

ALERT, 3d rate, 4 guns, Comdr. R. D. Hitchcock. At Mare Island yard. Will probably be assigned to Asiatic station. Extensive repairs having been found necessary to her hull, it is uncertain when she gets to sea.

BALTIMORE, 1st rate, 10 guns, Captain W. S. Schley. Arrived at Toulon, from Villefranche Jan. 28.

CUSHING, Torpedo Boat, Lieut. C. McR. Wins-

low. Arrived at New York Jan. 27, and at Washington, D. C., Jan. 29, where she will go in dry dock.

DESPATCH, 4th rate, Lieut. Wm. S. Cowles. At Washington Navy-yard at last reports.

FORTUNE, tug, Lieut. Comdr. A. J. Iverson. Vessel engaged in carrying freight between the several Navy-yards. At New York.

MARION, 3d rate, 8 guns, at Mare Island, Cal. Comdr. J. R. Bartlett ordered to command. Will probably be ordered to Asiatic station. Repairs nearly completed. Will be ready for sea March 1.

MICHIGAN, 4th rate, 4 guns, (2 howitzers and 2 galleys). Commander Geo. H. Wadleigh. At Erie, Pa., where she will remain during the winter.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, 8 howitzers, Receiving Ship for boys. At New London, Ct., where she will remain during the winter.

PINTA, 4th rate, 4 howitzers. Lieut.-Comdr. O. W. Farenholt. At Sitka, Alaska.

RANGER, 3d rate, 1 gun. Comdr. Geo. E. Wingate. Left San Jose de Guatemala Jan. 13 for Corinto, Nicaragua.

SARATOGA, Comdr. F. M. Green, nautical school-ship of Pennsylvania. At Philadelphia. Was to leave some time this month on her winter's cruise.

ST. MARY'S, sails, 8 guns, Comdr. John McGowan, Jr. N. Y. Public Marine School. In the East River at foot of 31st street.

SAN FRANCISCO, 1st rate, 12 guns, Capt. Wm. T. Sampson, comdr. At Mare Island Navy-yard. Left Navy-yard, Jan. 27, for final trial. The *San Francisco* completed her final trial trip, which is reported successful in every particular, on Jan. 28, and returned to Mare Island yard.

THETIS, 3d rate, 2 machine guns, Lieut. Comdr. Charles H. Stockton. At Mare Island. Will be fitted out for surveying duty.

Concord, 3d rate, 6 guns. Expects to be put in commission at the New York Navy-yard Feb. 10. Commander O. A. Batcheller will command her.

VARIOUS NAVAL ITEMS.

A THOUSAND new enlistments are required before the 1st of April to meet naval requirements.

It is reported that about 6,000 additional lads are to be gradually taken into the British naval training ships.

The Secretary of the Navy has detailed Naval Constructor Philip Hieborn as a member of the board during the absence of Chief Constructor Wilson, who is confined to his home by serious illness.

PRIVATE advices from the South Atlantic Station are to the effect that the old U. S. S. *Tallapoosa* has reached the limit of usefulness and must soon be consigned to the scrap heap. She will be sold where she now is, that portion of the crew enlisted on the station discharged, and the remainder sent home.

THE new Japanese laquer, which is said to possess many valuable characteristics when applied to armor plate, is undergoing trials at the Brooklyn Navy-yard. Several plates coated with the laquer are hanging from the bow of the monitor *Nantuxet*, and will remain in the water several months.

THE new gunboat *Bennington* arrived at the Navy-yard, N. Y., Jan. 27, from Chester, Pa. Her engines are still in charge of her builders, preparatory to the trial tests, which will take place probably within a month. The behavior of the gunboat on the trip from the Capes is said to have given great satisfaction.

THE commodore of the two Japanese corvettes bringing back the survivors of the Turkish frigate *Ertogru*, stood on his dignity and refused to leave his ship and pass the Dardanelles in a Turkish yacht. The two Japanese ships, accordingly, left Besika, and the Turkish frigate had to chase them to Smyrna with an apology from the Sultan, who also authorized the passage of the ships through the Dardanelles.

THE contractors for the *Concord* were at the Navy Department last week to consult with the Secretary of the Navy in regard to the penalties to be paid for overtime on that vessel. They have a large bill for extras and alterations to offset some of these charges, but as their premiums for increase of horse power over the contract requirements will be very small, they will still be indebted to the Government when final settlement is made.

In a paper read in 1889 before the Royal United Service Institution, it was proposed to coal British naval vessels at sea. In an article on the subject the *United Service Gazette* holds that it is perfectly practicable to fit up steam colliers so that they may, by their own steam power, deliver coal from their holds on board the warships either when under way or at rest in smooth water, or in such circumstances as may reasonably be expected to be found on active service.

THE U. S. Navy Department has been fighting hard against condemning the *Sagata*, now at the Mare Island Navy-yard, but the final report of the board of survey shows that she cannot be repaired within the 20 per cent. limit. The Secretary had hoped to be able to make sufficient temporary repairs to make her serviceable for another year or so, but this is now deemed impracticable, not only because of her bad condition, but in consequence of the low state of the repair fund.

THE petitions of the enlisted men of the Navy for an increase of pay, and for the abolition of marines from ship board, are now before Commo. Ramsay. No conclusion has been reached as to their final destination, but inasmuch as it will require Congressional action to accomplish all that is prayed for the probabilities are that they will be transmitted to Congress. There is no truth in the statement that Capt. Philip, of the *Atlanta*, declined to forward the petition of the men of that vessel. Indeed that was among the first papers received at the Navy Department. It is said, however, that he has made an endorsement unfavorable to the transfer of the marines; otherwise the relief prayed for is urgently recommended by him. The vessels from which petitions have been received are the *Chicago*, *Boston*, *Atlanta* and *Dale*. There is also a petition from the enlisted men of the *Philadelphia*, but an

increase of pay is the principal relief asked for; no reference is made to the transfer of marines.

THE disposition of the U. S. S. *Omaha* after her arrival at Panama, where she has been ordered for the purpose of exchanging her crew, has not been fully determined, but it is not unlikely that she will be sent to Mare Island, where a board of survey will determine her future career. The idea now is to make such temporary repairs as will make her serviceable for a year or so and then assign her to the Pacific Station, but private letters received here indicate that she is beyond repair.

A SLOOP has arrived at Corunna, having on board a number of relics of the *Serpent*, including a raft, a buoy, several oars, a portion of a hatch, three axes, and several other articles of little value. Gould, one of three survivors, has been presented with a watch and chain, as a memento "of his miraculous escape from drowning." Over 100 persons subscribed to the gift. Having acknowledged his friends' and neighbors' kindness, Gould appeared in the life belt worn on the night of the sinking of the *Serpent*, and sang "They all love Jack."

THE *Herald* published last Sunday the details of Capt. Meade's novel design for the building intended to contain the Navy's exhibit at the Chicago World's Fair. In outward appearance and in much of its interior fittings it will be an exact reproduction of a battle ship such as we are now building, and it will not only be an artistic and picturesque addition to the show, but will serve as a very efficient educator of our people by giving them object lessons in Navy affairs. Capt. Meade says that he could not have carried out his idea successfully without the hearty co-operation he has received from Chief Constructor Wilson and Mr. James H. Windrum, supervising architect of the Treasury, aided by Mr. Grogan and his assistants. Mr. Windrum, under whose direction the structure will be erected, pronounced it not only unique, but feasible and economical of construction. The cost will be in the vicinity of \$100,000. The amount appropriated by Congress for all purposes of a Government exhibit, for all executive departments, aggregates \$1,500,000. Capt. Meade suggests that when the fair closes, in November, 1893, the building, if not used by the Jackson Park Commissioners as a summer hotel or casino, can be appropriated as a naval armory and drill hall for the use of the naval reserve of the lakes, which may have its headquarters at Chicago.

If we mistake not the gossips will have to make up a new slate of changes in the important naval commands before the time arrives for the predicted transfers to take place. We now have it from reliable sources that Rear-Admiral Benham has asked to remain in command of the Asiatic Station for another year, and that his request will doubtless be granted. This means that Rear-Admiral Benham, who has been most anxious to go to China, will continue in command of the Mare Island yard for another year. We also learn that Rear-Admiral Gherardi prefers to continue in command of the home squadron until he has completed a regular tour of three years, which will not expire until April, 1892. If his wishes are complied with, and they probably will be, some other officer will be selected to succeed Rear-Admiral Braine in command of the N. Y. Navy-yard upon his retirement in April next. The gossips are all at sea as to who this officer will be. Rear-Admiral Kimberly is mentioned, but not with any degree of certainty. As to Rear-Admiral Walker there are good reasons for believing that he will continue in command of the Squadron of Evolution for at least another year, and will then probably go to the Light-house Board in the place of Rear-Admiral Harmony, who, his friends say, will probably not continue on the active list many months longer.

TO CONSULE itself for the British failures in steam engineering, *Broad Arrow* says: "The United States Government is not in possession of a single vessel that could compete with any crack Atlantic steamer on an ocean voyage. The new warship *Baltimore*, out of which the contractors squeezed 20 knots on her trial trip, was barely able to steam eight knots on her recent voyage to Sweden. It took her 19 days to do what one of the boats we have named would do in eight days. The *Charleston*, credited with between 18 and 19 knots on her trial trip, averaged only seven knots between Honolulu and San Francisco." In answer to inquiries addressed to him by the *Scientific American*, Mr. Cramp denies this statement so far as it applies to his vessels. He says that "the *Yorktown* is absolutely without a parallel, so far as excellence of speed is concerned," and the speed of her trial trip can be equalled at any time. She is 25 per cent. faster than the corresponding *Archer* class of the British Navy. The *Baltimore*, he says, is "the fastest cruiser of her class in the world," and the *Philadelphia* will maintain her trial speed. The *Newark*, for the weight of her engines, is the best-performing of all the large vessels built by the Cramps. The excellence of her engines is far beyond that of English engines, and we have not had a single defective boiler, while they are numerous abroad. Our lack is not in quality but in the quantity of vessels.

NAVY GAZETTE.

Ordered.

JAN. 21.—Lieutenant O. W. Lowry, to the Hydrographic Office, Feb. 2 next.

Ensign George R. Slocum, to temporary duty as Assistant to the officer in charge of the Naval Rendezvous, San Francisco, Cal.

Ensign Wm. Truxton, to temporary duty in the Bureau of Equipment.

Paymaster E. R. Colbourn, to hold himself in readiness for orders to the Monongahela.

JAN. 23.—Professor E. K. Rawson, to duty at the Navy Department.

Assistant Engineer Solon Arnold, to duty at the Navy-yard, Mare Island, Cal.

Sailmaker Wm. Cuddy, to hold himself in readiness for orders to the Lancaster.

JAN. 24.—Naval Cadet George R. Marvell, to the Newark, Feb. 2 next.

Acting Boatswain Hugh Sweeney, to hold himself in readiness for orders to the Monongahela.

JAN. 26.—Ensign Joseph Strauss, to the Concord, Feb. 10 next.

Ensign Marbury Johnston, to temporary duty in ordnance instruction, Navy-yard, Washington.

JAN. 27.—Lieutenant Wm. P. White, to the receiving ship Vermont.

Carpenter Edward H. Hay, to be ready for orders to the Lancaster.

JAN. 28.—Lieutenant (junior grade) Chas. C. Rogers and Ensign John Wood, to examination.

Ensign Edward W. Eberle, to ordnance instruction, Navy-yard, Washington.

Detached.

JAN. 21.—Lieutenant Wm. F. Fullum, from the Chicago and granted leave for one month.

Naval Cadets L. A. Boatwrick, W. C. Neville, and Jehu V. Chase, from the Kearsarge and ordered to the Newark, Feb. 2 next.

Gunner Andrew Harman, from the Chicago and placed on waiting orders.

Gunner Chas. Morgan, from the Navy-yard, New York, and ordered to the Chicago.

JAN. 23.—P. A. Engineer Charles B. Roelker, from the Albatross, ordered to examination for promotion, then wait orders.

Assistant Engineer Joseph R. Wilmer, from the Navy-yard, Mare Island, Cal., and ordered to the Albatross.

JAN. 24.—Chief Engineer Ralph Aston and P. A. Engineer H. N. Stevenson, from present duties at Chester, Pa., and ordered to duty at Quintard Iron Works, in connection with the preparation of the Bennington for sea service.

JAN. 26.—Lieutenant Charles Laird, from special duty in Hydrographic Office, Feb. 9, and ordered to the Concord, Feb. 10.

Lieutenant Vincendon L. Cottman, from special duty at Navy Department, Feb. 9, and ordered to the Concord, Feb. 10.

JAN. 27.—Ensign G. W. Kline, from the Homestead Steel Works, Munhall, Pa., and ordered to duty at the Union Iron Works, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Ensign F. L. Chapin, from the Michigan and ordered to duty in Coast Survey.

Ensign W. L. Howard, from the Thetis and ordered to duty in Coast Survey.

JAN. 28.—Lieutenant E. H. Gheen, as steel inspector at the Homestead Steel Works, Munhall, Pa., and ordered as inspector of steel at Thurlow, Pa.

Retired.

Lieutenant John Downs, Jan. 26, 1891.

Resigned.

Assistant Engineer W. D. Weaver, to take effect Jan. 24, 1892, and granted leave until that date.

MARINE CORPS.

JAN. 20.—1st Lieutenant G. R. Benson, detached from Marine Barracks, Brooklyn, and ordered to report Jan. 26 for duty at the Marine Barracks, League Island, Pa.

JAN. 27.—1st Lieutenant G. R. Benson's orders of the 20th inst., directing him to report for duty at the Marine Barracks, League Island, are suspended until the completion of his duties as a member of a General Court-martial, when he will obey them.

JAN. 29.—1st Lieut. L. W. T. Waller, granted one month's leave of absence from the 31st inst., when he will report for duty at the Marine Barracks, Norfolk, Va.

Lieutenant-Colonel Chas. Heywood, nominated to be Colonel Commandant of Marine Corps, vice Col. McCawley, retired.

REVENUE MARINE.

The nomination of 1st Lieut. Horatio D. Smith to be captain was confirmed by the Senate Jan. 27.

Capt. J. Henriques, of the steamer *Perry*, has been ordered to report to the Secretary of the Treasury for special duty.

1st Lieut. W. J. Herring, to temporary duty in command of the *Perry*.

The *Portland Express*, from which we quoted last week, should have included the names of 21 Lieut. W. S. Howland and Cadet J. H. Scott in the list of officers of the revenue cutter *Woodbury*.

THE daily papers have described the tragic scene at the dinner of the Board of Trade and Transportation, held at Delmonico's on Thursday night, where the Hon. Wm. Windom, Secretary of the Treasury, after completing the opening speech of the evening, fell in the agonies of death at the feet of Secretary Tracy. This recalls the fact that Secretary Tracy was prevented last year from attending the annual meeting of the Board by the tragic event which brought desolation to his own household.

In the case of Joseph F. Kingsley, late private of the Marine Corps, the Supreme Court of the United States, in an opinion delivered Jan. 26, has reversed the decision of the Court of Claims allowing the claimant "retained pay."

THE marriage of Assistant Naval Constructor Lewis Nixon, U. S. N., to Miss Sallie Lewis Wood, daughter of Gen. Wood, U. S. A., on Thursday, brought together a host of fashionable people at the Church of the Covenant, Washington, D. C. The bride was led to the altar by Gen. Thos. M. Vincent, U. S. A. Assistant Naval Constructor Taylor, U. S. Navy, was best man. Five of the usher were officers of the Navy and one (Capt. Crozier) was of the Army.

MR. WILLIAM RAGAN, a well-to-do merchant in Wilmington, Del., has become insane on account of the death of his son, who enlisted in the Army a year ago, was assigned to the 7th Cavalry, was killed in the battle with the Sioux at Wounded Knee. For days after his son's death the fond old father talked of nothing but going to fight Indians. Saturday last he disappeared from his home, and four days later was found by his brother in Pittsburg, where the pedestrians near the Union Depot were attracted in crowds by the spectacle of a handsome, well-dressed old man marching back and forth along the sidewalk, with an old Army musket held at "carry arms," fancying himself a sentry on duty. The unfortunate man has been committed to an asylum.

The final report of the board on gun factories and steel forgings for high power guns was submitted to Congress Jan. 24.

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ARMYNAVY.

THE Government having honored the city of Cincinnati by deciding to name the next armored cruiser launched from the ways the Cincinnati, the Commercial-Gazette thinks Cincinnati should do, and no doubt will, at the proper time, what the other cities, which were so distinguished, have done in the way of an expression of their appreciation.

THE HAWLEY BILL.

Now that the Senate has set aside political legislation to attend to routine business, we may expect that Senator Hawley's bill for reorganizing the Army will receive attention. It is well, therefore, to take note of the objections that have arisen to this measure, that they may receive careful and candid consideration. Some of the cavalry objections to the bill were presented by our correspondent "Dakota," in his letter published Jan. 10, p. 336. The foundation of these objections is the action of War Department in reducing the cavalry and infantry by an executive order. There has been no attempt thus far to demonstrate the legality of this action, and certainly recent events have not tended to show that it finds justification in a diminished necessity for employing the services of these two arms. What the artillery have to say on the subject is shown by this letter received from an officer of that arm:

What has the artillery to do with the "stretch of authority" respecting the infantry companies, etc.? We certainly are and always have been fully entitled to our proper share of enlisted men. There never was a valid reason for depriving us of them. The artillery have not as many officers or men in Indian wars, in proportion to numbers as have either the infantry or cavalry, and there never was any reason why they should not continue to do so, being always quite as available if necessary. The artillery council advised a scheme to add two regiments to the artillery, utilizing exactly the number of men we are entitled to, giving a fair strength to each battery by placing two in each regiment "on paper," and in so doing, though it gave some promotion, it only added about twenty officers to those now in the Service, and this on its own merit.

The infantry put forward their scheme to add fifty companies and 200 officers, and not a single additional man. Even should they take every man we have left, pray what would be the strength of their 300 companies? But now comes the point, when it was found that our plan had some show of success, this impracticable infantry bill, instead of also standing upon its own merits, has been tacked onto ours, and will, no doubt, result in killing it.

Because the War Department sees fit to reduce the companies of infantry and cavalry, you and those branches of the Service turn on the artillery and give us the credit of accomplishing this result, and for the amount of injury cite the present war. Has not the artillery its share of men there, and should it not always have, not in the infantry and cavalry, but in its own proper organizations?

"Out of a full heart the mouth speaketh," and we indulge our correspondent in his criticism upon the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL. What we have said upon this subject was not intended to reflect upon the artillery, and if it has been so interpreted we have been misunderstood. It is perfectly legitimate and proper that the artillery should urge its claims to public recognition, as we have before stated. Nothing can be said in its behalf that will not meet with our most cordial concurrence. If our entire force of available enlisted men were transferred to the artillery the number would be none too many for its effective organization. We have simply intended to show, to quote our own language, that "the other arms of the Service should not be deprived of any legal right, even to accomplish the most desirable purpose of strengthening the artillery arm of the Service that must first join issue with an invading force." Having stated our conclusions frankly we dropped the subject, believing that no good would result from its continued agitation. Where Congress is so illiberal in its treatment of the Army, it is a very difficult problem to determine what is the best use to make of the utterly insufficient material placed at the disposal of the War Department. What is thought of the Hawley bill by an infantry officer is shown by the communication that follows:

As to the increase of numbers, we would pay a heavy price for an addition to our strength which might be only temporary. For be it remembered no Congress can bind its successors, and the wit of man can devise no method which can bind future Legislatures to retain a given organization, or to vote the money to make it effective. The addition of two regiments of artillery is desirable. But have we the forts for them to defend, or the guns for them to use? There will be no trouble in getting the men when we have the forts and the armaments. Our artilleryists themselves are tired of being red-legged infantry.

As for promotion, it is the cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night that guides us to the promised land. All the old war veterans should be field officers, and all the lieutenants captains. Sincerely I wish it might be so, yet how shall it be brought about?

Realizing from long experience the almost insurmountable difficulties of securing any Army legislation, it has been our policy to favor every measure that seemed to promote the interest of any arm or department of the Service, and not to withhold support because it might not include all. The argument that secures an immediate advantage to one, will in its turn serve to promote the interest of others. We may not always understand the special bearings of a particular measure, but what we argue is that no bill should be opposed by an officer simply because it does not consider his special interest. The manifestation of a generous disposition in this regard will do much to advance the interests of the Service as a whole. Make Congress under-

stand, gentlemen of the Army and Navy, that what you seek is the advancement of your profession and you have won one-half your battle. In proportion as they are made to feel that personal considerations rise superior in your minds to professional, their indifference toward Army and Navy legislation grows apace. As one who loves you all, equally and impartially, as does the tender father of a numerous family each of his lusty sons, the Editor of the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL seeks to harmonize differences, and to secure concert of action among you for the common good. If he is not always successful, at least acquit him of the charge of partiality.

"BLOOD THICKER THAN WATER."

The London *Army and Navy Gazette*, says:

The death of Comdr. Pearson, of the U.S. Navy, which took place in New York recently, recalls an act, says a contemporary, which thrilled our countrymen 30 years ago. England was then at war with China. Commander Pearson was attached to the United States naval squadron in Chinese waters. Seeing the British forces attacking those of China, the impulse of the warrior came upon him. Under it he went into action in aid of England with that memorable phrase on his lips, "Blood is thicker than water." His co-operation with the British on the occasion in question made his name resound over Europe, and a poem which had in it the true minstrel fire, appeared in *Punch* in honor of the co-operation of the gallant commander who had so practically realized the solidarity of the two nations. Why is it, then, we would ask, that this remark is popularly connected with the late Commodore Tattnall? It was only the other day at Samoa that Admiral Kimberly, of the United States Navy, who should know something about the matter, ascribed the saying to Tattnall. Perhaps some of our readers, and there are among them some of those who were present on the occasion 30 years ago, will throw a light on the subject.

The officer referred to is George F. Pearson, not Commander Frederick Pearson who died recently. George F. Pearson died June 30, 1867, when he was rear-admiral on the retired list of our Navy. He was, on the occasion named, Captain (not "Commander") Pearson, in command of the steam frigate *Powhatan*, 11 guns, carrying the flag of Commodore Josiah Tattnall, then a flag officer of our Navy, and afterwards a flag officer of the Confederate Navy on board the *Merrimack* after her encounter with the *Monitor*.

May 18, 1859, Commo. Tattnall with the *Powhatan*, and a chartered English steamer, *Toey wan*, of 175 tons burthen, started for the mouth of the Pei-ho, to convey the American minister and suite to Peking. He reached an anchorage off the Pei-ho, May 21, just as the British admiral was about to try conclusions with the Chinese. On the 24th, Admiral Hope, in the tender *Cormandel*, the French commodore in the *Norzaragaz*, and Flag-officer Tattnall in the *Toey wan*, with the diplomatic party, and Capt. Pearson of the *Powhatan*, started to cross the bar, accompanied by 18 gunboats, all of which anchored in the mouth of the river. The *Toey wan* grounded immediately under the guns of the fort, and Admiral Hope dispatched the British gunboat *Plover* to tow her off. He did not succeed in the attempt, and she had to wait for the tide. Admiral Hope then offered to the American admiral the entire use of one of his gunboats, requesting him to hoist his flag on board and retain her as long as he desired. Though the offer was declined, the generous feeling that prompted it was not forgotten.

During the engagement of May 25, Commodore Tattnall learned that Admiral Hope was severely wounded and that it was going hard with the British, the *Plover* having but six men left of its crew of thirty-seven. He accordingly offered to tow into action the British gunboats which had been unable to cross the bar owing to the tide. When it was suggested that this jeopardized his position as a neutral he answered, "blood is thicker than water." After the *Toey wan* had towed the first detachment of the reserve force into action Commodore Tattnall ordered his barge and, with his flag lieutenant (afterwards admiral), S. D. Trenchard, started for the *Cormorant*, to offer his personal sympathy and assistance to the English admiral. The *Cormorant* was under a heavy fire and the barge, just as it was coming alongside, was struck by a shot which mortally wounded the coxswain by a splinter and sunk the boat, from which the inmates had barely time to escape to the ship's ladder. They were returned to their own vessel in a boat furnished by the *Cormorant*, and the crew of the barge while awaiting in that vessel, without orders or solicitation, occupied themselves in working one of her guns which was short handed. After the battle the services of the *Toey wan* were again tendered and accepted by the English admiral. These are the

facts as given by Lieutenant Johnson in his "China and Japan," p. 211, and confirmed by the official report of Commodore Tattnall of July 4, 1859. In this report the gallant commodore says:

"By this time several of his vessels (Admiral Hope's) had been sunk, and it was evident to me that nothing could enable him to extricate himself and retire from the hopeless conflict, but the reserve of boats and men at the junks, but at the time the tide was running too strong for the crowded boats to stem it. The officer in charge of these boats now visited me. He said nothing of aid, but his silent appeal was powerful, indeed. In the few moments he was on board he would look anxiously, alternately, at his admiral and at the boats. After he left I held a consultation with Mr. Ward (the American Minister), and he agreed with me perfectly that, under all the circumstances of our position with the English and the aid the admiral had tendered me the day before, I could not do less than to tow the boats to his relief. I made the offer, which was thankfully and promptly accepted."

Commodore Tattnall further states that the American Minister, Mr. Ward, yielding to his persuasion, reluctantly went on board one of the junks, but he soon returned and insisted that as the *Toey wan* was going under fire with his approbation and concurrence he would remain in her. After describing the towing of the boats Commodore Tattnall says:

"I retired to the rear of the line, near the French gun boat, and anchored for the night. I took up this position, as it might enable me to aid the wounded, and, should boats be sunk, to rescue their crews. After anchoring I thought of the admiral and of his chivalrous kindness to me the day before, which, from an unwillingness to intrude on him when he was preparing for action, I had in no way acknowledged. I, therefore, with my flag lieutenant, Mr. Trenchard, went on my barge to visit him. When within a few feet of the *Cormorant* a round shot struck the boat, killing my coxswain and slightly bruising my flag lieutenant. We fortunately reached the *Cormorant* before the boat entirely filled."

Here spoke the gallant American sailor, forgetful of prudential considerations when moved by an uncontrollable desire to assist a friend in distress. The citation of this precedent seems timely just now in view of the recent action of our Navy Department in the case of Commander Reiter. It illustrates the spirit which Secretary Tracy is seeking to encourage in our Navy.

At the same time it should be remembered that in this case, as well as in the historical case of Captain Ingraham and Martin Koszta, in 1853, the American officer had the direct authority of the American Minister for his action. In the latter case our Minister, in answer to a letter from Captain Ingraham, had declared his official opinion that Koszta should be demanded of the Austrian authorities. It was not until then that Ingraham cleared the *St. Louis* for action and sent word to the Austrian *Hussar*, his superior in size and armament, that if Koszta was not delivered he would take him by force. There are Tattnalls and Ingrahams still in the Service, Mr. Secretary, and they are glad to have the encouragement of your approval. The only thing our officers fear under such circumstances is the loss of professional reputation and position which would follow a disapproval of their action at home. The approval of the American Minister is their protection against this.

MR. LANSING B. MIZNER, our Minister to Guatemala, who was removed by the State Department for his participation in the Barrundia affair, is understood to justify his action or inaction on the ground that his course was strictly in accordance with international law, as Barrundia was guilty of non-political as well as political crimes, and cites in justification of his position the action of Secretary Bayard in the Gomez case. He points out that on July 4 last the authorities of Salvador were allowed to arrest Senor Delgado, Minister of Foreign Relations, on board the same vessel. From the text book on international law recently published by Major Geo. B. Davis, J. A., U. S. A., professor of law at the U. S. Military Academy, we quote the following:

So soon, however, as a merchant ship enters a foreign port, it is subject in every respect to the municipal laws, and especially to the criminal jurisdiction of the country in which the port is situated.—p. 55.

The Board of Arbitration in the Geneva Case ruled that "the privilege of extraterritoriality accorded to vessels of war has been admitted into the Law of Nations; not as an absolute right, but solely as a proceeding founded on the principles of courtesy and mutual deference between different nations." In this view Phillimore and Story agree.—p. 60.

In this connection a question arises as to the duty of the captain of a public armed vessel in the matter of surrendering a criminal who has taken refuge on board his ship in a foreign port. The present rule is that, upon proper application by the local authority, it shall be the duty of the commanding officer to surrender such criminal.—p. 61.

No State can be supposed, by permitting a foreign ship of war to enter its harbors, to have consented that its own subjects should be able to free themselves from its own laws by going on board the ship.—p. 62.

We are requested by the New York Mutual Life Insurance Company to say that in the case of officers of the Army and Navy they do not propose to wait for the usual formal proof of death, but will pay to

the representatives of a policy holder the amount due upon his policy upon receiving a certificate of death from the proper officials at Washington. This is wise as well as liberal.

THE RIGHT OF PETITION.

An officer of the Navy writes to complain of the implied criticism of Captain Philip of the *Atlanta*, in what was said in connection with a paragraph quoted last week. As we were misled as to the fact by a newspaper despatch from Washington what we said, so far as its application to Captain Philip is concerned, falls to the ground. Nor did we intend any criticism upon him further than to express our dissent from him on a matter of opinion. We know that he is a level-headed, able and conscientious officer, and there could be no doubt that his action in any matter coming before him for decision would be determined by a high sense of duty. The letter of our correspondent shows, however, that our criticism was called for, and as he presents him vicariously as a subject for it we transfer it to him. The fact that he is an able and experienced officer gives weight to what he says, which is this:

There are petitions and petitions. Capt. Philip was right in refusing to forward any paper which contained not a request for the redress of wrongs or grievances but a reflection by one part of his crew upon another part of his crew. Suppose, for example, the marines (if such a thing can be supposed of that "ever faithful," ever loyal body of men) had sent in a counter-petition reflecting on the few, very few, bluejackets who had originated this petition. It is easy to see what effect it might have had on the ship's company. Such petitions may be brief or characterized as tending to foment discontent in the Navy and are expressly forbidden by the Articles of War and the Navy Regulations which bind all commanding and other officers and enlisted men. Captains in the Navy are governed by the Regulations and orders of the Navy Department and are not allowed to construe for themselves the Constitution of the United States. All military service is essentially despotic (under law or regulation) and it could not be efficient unless it were so. Proper petition for redress of wrongs or grievances has never yet been denied in the history of the American Navy, but fomenting discord and discontent are very different things from petitioning. Articles 26, 7, pages 83 & 4, of the last edition of the Blue book will give further information as to how the Navy Department will probably regard such matters.

This is all true enough, and we have never questioned the general principle, but, in our judgment, it has no application to the petition which appeared in the JOURNAL of Jan. 10, page 327. We are equally clear that it is only a strained application of the paragraphs 26, 7 of the Blue book that can make them cover this case. The fact that our correspondent does not agree with us does not shake our confidence in his sound judgment and good sense, but neither does it lessen our confidence in our own conclusion as to this particular matter. The best of friends will differ. In a private letter our correspondent says: "Had it been my case I should not only have refused to forward the petition, but arrested and requested trial by General Court-martial of those engaged in getting it up. This would be logical upon our correspondent's theory of a violation of regulation. This is only another way of bringing the petition to the attention of higher authority. What we contend for is the right, so jealously guarded by the Romans, of appeal unto Caesar. That right, it is to be remembered, is extended to our modern system to classes not included in it under more despotic forms of Government."

If there is one subject more than another relating to the Navy that demands the attention of Congress during the present session, it is the Senate bill now pending before the House to increase the enlisted force of the Navy. Without more men Congress might just as well stop appropriating money for more ships. The point has already been reached where there are barely enough sailors in the Navy to man the ships already in commission. No provision has been, or can be made under existing law, to man the new vessels to go into commission during the present year. Unless the present Congress comes to the rescue the Department will have a most trying problem to solve in their efforts to supply the crews for the *Miantonomoh*, *Newark*, *Concord*, *Bennington* and *Lancaster*, five vessels that will certainly be ready for commission between now and July 1. The total enlisted strength of the Service is now within 200 of the number allowed by law, and the complements of all the vessels in commission are not even full in all cases. There are in service to day, according to the latest figures of the Bureau of Navigation, 8,045 enlisted men in the Navy, or 205 less than the total number allowed by law. These are distributed as follows:

North Atlantic Squadron—Philadelphia, 322; Kearsarge, 159; Enterprise, 139; Petrel, 111; Vesuvius, 62; total, 792. North Atlantic—Pensacola, 299; Tallapoosa, 133; Essex, 130; total, 562. European Station—Baltimore, 302. Squadron of Evolution—Chicago, 372; Atlanta, 247; Boston, 247; Yorktown, 167; Dolphin, 116; total, 1,149. Pacific Station—Charleston, 296; Mohican, 158; Iroquois, 147; Alert, 111; Ranger, 110; total, 822. Asiatic Station—Monocacy, 124. Alliance, 129; Palos, 48; total, 311. Special Service—Despatch, 97; Michigan, 72; Thetis, 98; Fortune, 28; Pinta, 47; Cushing, 21; Triana, 21; Stiletto, 5; Richmond, 205; Minnesota, 70; Portsmouth, 98; Jamestown, 98; Ajax and other monitors, 71; Coast Survey, 275; Fish Commission, 124; Naval Academy, 96; Naval Home, 2; total, 1,397. (Unassigned—San Francisco, 302; Swatara, 163; Yantic, 116; Omaha, 299; total, 830. Receiving ships, etc.—Wabash, 91; New Hampshire, 13; Vermont, 92; St. Louis, 37; Dale, 28; Franklin, 84; Independence, 73; Texon, 9; Nina, 11; Rocket, 5; Catalpa, 7; Portsmouth, N. H., 13; Port Royal, S. C., 11; Pensacola, Fla., 5; Key West, 2; total, 490. Apprentices under instructions, men available on receiving ships, seamen under instructions, men in hospitals and others not mentioned in the above, 1,165.

The sufferings, danger, and privations to which our gallant troops have recently been called upon to undergo have been lamentably supplemented by a railroad accident which occurred to a portion of them while returning to their permanent posts. A Topeka despatch says: The special train carrying about 400 men of the 7th Cavalry and Light Battery E, 1st Artillery, horses, etc., and bound for Fort Riley, collided at Florence, Kas., on the evening of Jan. 26, with a passenger train. The dead reported are:

Private Daniel Maguire, Troop C, 7th Cav.; Private Meil, Troop G, 7th Cav., left leg cut off and head mashed; Sergt. Schorbat, Bat. E, Artillery, cut all to pieces.

The wounded are:

Sergt. Sharp, Troop G, 7th Cav., right arm broken; Capt. E. S. Godfrey, Troop D, leg and shoulder injured; Corp. Maxwell, Troop D, left wrist broken; Sergt. Thompson, Troop C, right arm sprained; Private McCullum, Troop C, right arm sprained; Sergt. Wirtz, Troop C, internal injuries; Private Gose, Troop E, left shoulder sprained; Sergt. Doan, Troop A, left shoulder badly cut; Private Herick, Troop E, right arm broken and hand cut; Private Heese, Bat. E, 1st Art., right leg bruised. Many cavalry horses were killed.

The conductor of the military train is held responsible for the accident, as he was running on the express train's time. He has disappeared.

The younger officers of the Marine Corps have a grievance. They consider it high time that fitness for promotion in their corps should be determined by examination, the same as in the Army and Navy. They ought to have the new Army promotion law applied to their corps, but the legal authorities of the Navy Department held, as we stated some time ago, that this could not be done. Now the young officers want to petition Congress for the necessary legislation, but they met with an obstacle that places them in a rather peculiar position. Since the investigation prompted by Senator Chandler into the methods of lobbying of naval officers, it has become the fashion in naval circles to make their prayers for relief through the regular and proper channels. This is what the young marine officers have done, but Col. Hebb, the acting commandant, who, like others of the old officers is opposed to examination as a condition of promotion, refused to forward the petition.

The War Department has already begun making details to college duty under the recent act increasing the number from 50 to 75. Five details were made during the past week, as will be observed by special orders. As there were three vacancies under the old quota, only two of these are directly attributable to the new law. No change will be made in the method of detail. The requests from colleges for officers will be complied with whenever it shall appear that they are entitled under the law and regulations which have hitherto prevailed. It will be some time yet before the extra 25 officers are all commissioned, for the reason that many colleges wanting them have not complied with all the conditions necessary to entitle them to the services of an officer.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL CHARLES HEYWOOD, who has this week been appointed to succeed Colonel McCawley, retired, as Colonel Commandant of the Marine Corps, has more than ten years the advantage of his predecessor in age, having been born Oct. 3, 1839, and eleven years the advantage of his senior, Colonel Hebb, who retires under the law next year. His service in the Marine Corps is, however, only two years less than that of Colonel Hebb, and the promotions of the two officers up to the rank of lieutenant-colonel were within a few months of one another, the longest interval being that from Jan. 12 to Nov. 1, 1876, the year in which they both received the majority. Colonel Heywood's experience is certainly sufficiently extended to justify his selection as the head of the Corps and his comparative youth is so much in his favor. He is in every way fitted for his new position and we congratulate the Corps upon the selection of so capable and progressive an officer. We hope it presages the infusion of new life into the Corps.

The St. Louis Republican states that some of the recruits sent West last November from Jefferson Barracks, under charge of Lieut. James H. Gardner, were engaged in the Wounded Knee fight and five of the killed were boys who had but three months before enlisted. This strikingly exemplifies the peril of a soldier's life and that even in times of profound peace the show and pomp of parade may suddenly change to something much more serious.

We have received notice of the death of a veteran officer upon the retired list of the Army, concerning whom we shall have more to say next week—Brevet Brigadier-General James M. Robertson, major, retired, who was born in 1816 and entered the Army Dec. 8, 1838.

MAJOR EDWARD INGERSOLL, U. S. A., retired, a veteran officer, died at Springfield, Mass., Jan. 28, of old age. He was born in Westfield in 1812, and was appointed an ordnance storekeeper, U. S. A., May

31, 1841, and in 1860 ordnance storekeeper and paymaster, with the rank of major, at the National Armory. He leaves a widow, two sons and three daughters.

As soon as Captain Craig accepts his commission as a Signal officer there will be two vacancies in the Quartermaster's Department at the disposal of the President, a fact that has not escaped the notice of many of the lieutenants of the Army, judging from the numerous papers that are being filed daily in the interest of candidates. None of these have yet been considered by the Secretary of War, and there is seemingly no hurry to look up the matter.

New York will add a status of General Spinner to its already unexampled collection of contemplated mortuary art.—Providence Journal.

FIFTY-FIRST CONGRESS—SECOND SESSION.

The Senate Committee on Appropriations lost little time and made few changes in reporting the Army Appropriation bill. There was something of a fight over the provision adopted by the House prohibiting retired Army officers from drawing two salaries from the Government, but it was finally concluded that the principle was right, although it hurt some worthy officers, and it was allowed to remain. An item was inserted giving the commanding officer of the Military Prison additional pay of \$500 per annum. The appropriation for mileage was reduced from \$170,000 to \$150,000. The item appropriating \$50,000 for reconstruction of Jefferson Bks. was stricken out; also the one limiting the payments for transportation over bond-aided roads to 50 per cent. of the amount charged private parties. The item for clothing under the Q. M. Department was increased from \$150,000 to \$200,000. An item of \$20,000 for the purchase of machine guns, musket calibre, was inserted. An allowance was also made for a clerk to the officer disbursing the account for the recruiting service. The contingent fund for the Inspector-General's Dept. was reduced from \$1,000 to \$500. The bill came up for action in the Senate on Thursday and on motion of Mr. Hawley the proviso concerning duplicate pay for retired officers was stricken out after some debate.

Senator Dolph has given notice that he will propose his \$123,000,000 coast defence bill as an amendment to the Fortification bill when that measure comes up for consideration in the Senate. A bill similar to this was introduced in the Senate Jan. 27 by Mr. Chandler.

The bill to restore Theodore Ten Eyck to the Army was passed by the Senate Jan. 29. The House Military Committee has also acted favorably on the bill.

The House Committee on Naval Affairs in its report on the bill to reorganize the marine band, submits many strong arguments in favor of this desirable measure, which has sufficient friends in both Houses to secure its passage if it can only once be reached. The bill proposes to increase the total number of musicians to 72, providing for 30 first class musicians, at \$60 per month; 30 second class musicians, at \$50 per month, and 10 apprentice musicians, at \$18 per month. The bill also provides for a musical director with the assimilated rank and pay of a 2d lieutenant of marines and for an assistant musical director with the rank of sergeant major of marines.

The Naval Appropriation bill, after several days of political debate, was passed Jan. 26 by the House, in substantially the shape it was reported from the committee. The most important amendment made was that appropriating \$136,689 for the equipment of the new Naval Observatory. An amendment was also adopted requiring the Secretary of the Navy to incorporate in his next annual report a statement showing the name and tonnage of each vessel that has been completed since March 4, 1885; when authorized to be built, when begun, and when commissioned; its entire cost of construction, including armor, armament, equipment, and premiums, and its cost for repairs since completion. To the provision appropriating \$100,000 for travelling cranes at the Norfolk and New York Navy-yards an amendment was adopted making the money immediately available. The provision in the bill repealing the appropriation for the Thomas monitor gave rise to considerable discussion but was finally allowed to remain. An item was inserted appropriating \$25,000 for the purchase of tools, etc., for the Portsmouth, N. H., Navy-yard. The item adding \$6,000 to the sum already appropriated for the electric light plant of the Lancaster was stricken out.

The House Military Committee has made an adverse report on the bill to make Chaplain Blake's military service continuous from the time he was dropped to date of restoration.

The bill for the exploration of Alaska is one of the first military measures to be pushed for consideration in the House after the appropriation bills are out of the way.

The Military Academy appropriation has occupied the attention of the House for a greater portion of the week, but with the exception of a proposition to increase the number of cadet-at-large appointments to 20 and the subject of extra duty pay to soldiers on duty at the Academy, the debate was entirely irrelevant to the measure in question. Occasion was taken by members to ventilate their views on the late Indian troubles and, of course, politics crept in, but to no further purpose than to prolong the debate on the bill, which was finally passed without any amendments of importance.

It is expected that Lieut.-Col. J. P. Farley, Ordnance Department, now on inspection duty in New York, will succeed Gen. Flagler in command of the Watertown Arsenal.

CAPTAIN WM. STEPHENSON, assistant surgeon, U. S. A., owing to an increase of sickness at Fort Wayne, Mich., was suddenly called there this week from Columbus Barracks, O.

REPRESENTATIVE WALLACE has secured the passage by the House of an appropriation to provide the naval militia with arms and equipments.

AT THE FRONT.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

PINE RIDGE AGENCY, S. D., Jan. 28, 1891.

The war is declared at an end, and we start for the railroad to-morrow. A grand parade and review was held of all the troops on ground about four miles from this place on Thursday, by the Major-General commanding. The command numbered about 1,800 men.

Gen. Miles is quoted as saying, in response to an inquiry as to the final disposition of the Indians at Fort Sheridan: "That is a matter to be determined in the future. Now that Sitting Bull and other chiefs are killed and I have most of the others here the Indians are left without a leader, and there is no danger of any further outbreak on the reservation." Gen. Miles arrived in Chicago from Pine Ridge Jan. 28, accompanied by 48 Indians. The 30 ordinary braves were taken to Ft. Sheridan, where they will make an indefinite stay under the influence of civilization. The chiefs Young-Man-Afraid-of-His-Horses, American Horse, Fire Thunder and Hum, of the friendlyes, and Little Wound, Big Road, He-Dog, Two-Strike, High Hawk, and High-Pipe of the hostiles, were sent to Washington.

PINE RIDGE AGENCY, S. D., Jan. 18, 1891.

The following complimentary extract is taken from the report of Capt. John S. Loud, 9th Cavalry, who commanded the escort consisting of his own troop, "D," to the wagon train of Major Henry's Battalion, when attacked by Indians a little after daylight on the morning of Dec. 30:

"It is with pleasure that I can bear testimony to the commendable conduct of both officers and men during the engagement." Lieut. Powell, who was with Capt. Loud at the time of the attack, supplements this tribute to the troop with the assurance that he was proud to observe in the conduct of Troop "D" upon that occasion, a coolness and disregard of fear worthy of the "bravest of the brave." Lieut. Betters, A. A. Q. M. of the battalion, and in charge of the train, deserves credit for his exhibition of coolness in parking the train when the attack began. The campaign is now upon the eve of a termination. The "Red Skins" are hemmed in on all sides and must surrender. The troops have uncomplainingly endured the hardships, and the 9th Cavalry is happy in the reflection that it has done its part nobly.

DAKOTA.

ORDER ASSIGNING ARMY OFFICERS TO AGENCIES.

HQRS. DIV. MISSOURI, ON THE FIELD,
PINE RIDGE, S. D., Jan. 12, 1891.

G. O. No. 2.

In accordance with the instructions of the President, transmitted by the Major-General commanding the Army in telegram of Jan. 6, 1891, the following named officers, having reported to the division commander, are assigned to duty at the several Sioux and Cheyenne agencies, as follows:

Capt. Ezra P. Ewers, 5th Inf., at Tongue River Agency, Montana.
Capt. Jesse M. Lee, 9th Inf., at Rosebud Agency, South Dakota.

Capt. Francis E. Pierce, 1st Inf., at Pine Ridge Agency, South Dakota.
Capt. Joseph H. Hurst, 12th Inf., at Cheyenne River Agency, South Dakota.

These officers will exercise over the Indians such military supervision and control as may be necessary without interfering unnecessarily with the routine administration of the agents of the Indian Bureau under the prescribed regulations of the Interior Department.

This military surveillance will be maintained to the extent of ascertaining and anticipating any turbulent feeling that may require the action of the military. They will ascertain and report the number of men capable of bearing arms, number and kind of arms and ammunition, and from where obtained and the number of horses suitable for military purposes in possession of the Indians. They will act in harmony with the officers of the Interior Department. They will keep under close observation the disposition of the Indians at the several agencies; and whenever anything like general dissatisfaction appears they will investigate the same and report promptly and fully to these headquarters, through the commanding general of the department, giving character and extent of dissatisfaction.

Officers on this duty are designated as military inspectors of all supplies received and issued.

As idleness and insufficient food are frequently the causes of discontent and hostility, they will ascertain to what extent the Indians are occupied, and whether or not the rations are sufficient. They will also report the number engaged in civil occupation and the number acting as police or scouts.

As occupation is one of the best measures for promotion of peace, they will ascertain and report what additional occupation could be afforded these people on the reservation or in the immediate vicinity, and also whether means of occupation cannot be devised and developed in addition to agricultural and pastoral pursuits, and whether or not they could manufacture all the clothing, leather, agricultural implements and tools required; in fact, any industries that would promote their comfort and welfare and encourage them in peaceful pursuits.

They will also ascertain whether they realize from the means of occupation afforded them the full benefits, and whether any improvements can be made in that respect.

In addition to the duties prescribed in par. 1 of this order, Capt. Francis E. Pierce, 1st Inf., will perform the duties of Indian Agent at this place, giving all necessary receipts for property pertaining thereto, and otherwise be governed by the laws and regulations pertaining to said office.

By command of Maj. Gen. Miles:

H. C. CORBIN, Asst. Adj. Gen.

SOUTH DAKOTA, which includes Rosebud and Pine Ridge Agencies, has, for convenience of military action, been transferred from the Dept. of Dakota to the Dept. of the Platte.

The funeral of Private Kelly, 7th Cav., killed in the fight with the Sioux at Wounded Knee Creek, S. D., took place Saturday, Jan. 24, at his home in Chicago. Under the orders of Gen. Miles, a guard of honor was detailed, the funeral escort coming from the 15th Infantry, at Fort Sheridan.

GENERAL CHARLES B. NORTON, of New York, who served during the war in the U. S. V., and was for a time on the staff of Gen. Porter, died in Chicago Jan. 29.

SECRETARY PROCTOR has instructed Adj.-Gen. Kelton to select about ten young officers of the Engineer Corps of the Army for duty in connection with the proposed intercontinental railway, as provided by the act creating the Intercontinental Railway Commission. A number of officers have already applied for the detail.

THE UNITED SERVICE CLUB, WASHINGTON.

The United Service Club held its regular annual meeting at its clubhouse in Washington on the evening of Jan. 19 inst. The meeting was an important and enthusiastic one, at which practically every member was present either in person or by proxy. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Major Gen. Schofield, U. S. A.; vice president, Col. Hosmer, Loyal Legion; secretary, Lieut. Denny, U. S. M. C.; treasurer, Paymaster Carmody, U. S. N.; Directors: Gen. Ordway, U. S. V.; Capt. Chapin, Loyal Legion; Lieut. Nicholson, U. S. N.; Gen. Breckinridge, U. S. A.; Chief Engineer, Fletcher, U. S. N.; O. C. Greene, Order of Cincinnati; Lieut. Bliss, U. S. A.; Lieut. Fecteler, U. S. A.; and D. R. Case, ex-naval officer. The success of the United Service, which was incorporated in 1885, is now assured. A lot has been purchased on which a building is to be erected, and it is expected that by Nov. 1 the club will possess a handsome and comfortable home, on the southeast corner of Connecticut avenue and I street, in the block known as the "Corcoran grounds." The generally accepted idea that when Army and Navy officers do anything they do it well and thoroughly is well exemplified by the rapid growth and remarkable prosperity of this club. Five years ago there were scarcely a dozen members, occupying two small rooms in an extremely modest-looking building. To-day the membership numbers 650 and is constantly growing. The building is to be of brick, with stone trimmings. We congratulate the club upon this substantial evidence of its prosperity. The illustration here given shows what fine building it is soon to possess.

THE INDIAN BREVETS.

The reasons influencing the War Department to delay issuing the brevet commissions for gallant service in Indian campaigns are given in the following communication of the Major General Commanding, submitted to Congress on Jan. 23 by the Secretary of War, who concurs in the views therein expressed:

HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 19, 1891.

Sir: The act of Congress, approved Feb. 27, 1890, entitled "An act to authorize the President to confer brevet rank on officers of the U. S. Army for gallant services in Indian campaigns," contains the provision—

"Sec. 2. That such brevet commissions as may be issued under the provisions of this act shall bear date only from the passage of this act: *Provided, however*, That the date of the particular heroic act for which the officer is promoted shall appear in his commission."

In the attempt to execute the statute this provision causes much embarrassment. If the brevet given for gallant service is made of the next higher grade to that held by the officer at the time the gallant service was rendered, in accordance with the time-honored custom, the effect would be in most cases to give the officer a new commission inferior either in grade or in date, or often in both, to the commission he then held. Such a new inferior commission could be esteemed of little value.

On the other hand, if it be attempted to make the commission of real value by giving it the next higher grade to that which the officer now holds, the grade would in many cases be much higher than what would be regarded, under military rules, as due reward for the special service rendered, as, during the long period that has elapsed since some of these services were rendered, some of the officers have risen in rank two or three grades. Hence, an officer might, for example, be given the brevet of brigadier general for the gallant services of a captain or major.

The purpose of the law was doubtless to enable the President to do at this late day precisely what might have been done had such a law been in force at the time the gallant service was rendered, viz., to give a brevet of the grade next above that which the officer held when he rendered that gallant service.

In order that this may be exactly accomplished, it is respectfully suggested that the act of Feb. 27, 1890, above cited may be amended by substituting for the present section 2, the following, viz.:

"Sec. 2. That such brevet commissions as may be issued under the provisions of this act shall bear date from the particular heroic act for which the officer is promoted."

Very respectfully,
J. M. SCHOFIELD,
Major General Commanding.

FORT SHERIDAN.

A STRONG effort is being made by Illinois Congressmen to secure the appropriation of a sufficient sum—about \$500,000—during the present session to complete the military post at Fort Sheridan. As this is to be the handsomest and most complete military post in the country, it is considered quite important that it should be completed in season to show foreigners visiting the World's Fair in 1892 how our military people live, and unless the full sum is appropriated this year it is considered doubtful whether the post can be completed in time. At least this is the argument raised by the Illinois Congressmen.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

FORT SPOKANE, WASH.

JAN. 18, 1891.

SATURDAY, Jan. 18, about 2 o'clock, a fire started in the quarters occupied by Capt. Thomas F. Quinn, 4th Infantry, and for several minutes it looked as though there was no chance of saving the building. Our quarters being built of native pine wood, once on fire, burn like tinder. The supply of water was excellent, and the fire was where it could be played upon easily and kept down. Everything in the quarters was hurriedly thought carefully carried out and placed under the guard on the parade. Within an hour the fire was out and the household effects of the two officers



occupying the building were being taken to new quarters. Capt. Quinn's loss consists almost entirely of stolen property, including a large amount of wines, and two full pocket-books containing nearly \$150. The loss of Lieut. Bettsch, the other occupant, is reported as very slight. Both officers are fully covered by insurance in the Army Co-operative Fire Association.

Lieut. Magnus O. Hollis has left for Fort Sherman to be examined for promotion to 1st lieutenant. During his absence, Lieut. Frank Anderson is acting adjutant.

Col. Meers, who is a member of the above examining board, has also proceeded to Fort Sherman. During his absence Capt. Henry Nelson is in command of the post.

Major Dodge, Paymaster, after paying the troops at Fort Sherman, Idaho, stopped here long enough to distribute between \$7,000 and \$8,000 among our "doughboys." From here he returns to Walla Walla.

Capt. and Mrs. Rufus P. Brown have left this post for a two months' leave, visiting friends and relatives East. Their address while on leave will be No. 581 East Broad street, Columbus, Ohio.

By the retirement of Col. Black to-day we lose Major J. Ford Kent and gain Capt. Geo. M. Randall, of the 23d Inf. In Col. Kent's promotion the 4th Infantry loses a perfect gentleman and a gallant soldier.

To-night the enlisted men give a grand masquerade ball in one of the vacant barracks. Extensive preparations have been made and the affair promises to be very successful.

FORT HUACHUCA, ARIZONA.

No. 1, Vol. 1, of *The Weekly Sentinel*, editor Chaplain Winfield Scott, U. S. A., on duty at Fort Huachuca, has made its appearance, and has these items:

The services Sunday nights are largely attended. Miss Minnie L. Scott presides at the organ at the song services Sunday nights, and also at the Sunday school and church services on Sunday. She is to be assisted by Miss Kitty Rawlins and Miss Lochridge.

We are under obligations to Mrs. Lieut. Brett for singing her beautiful solo at our Sunday evening services. Her singing is much admired and adds greatly to the interest of the services of songs.

The Literary Society has a decided success. It was organized Oct. 22, 1890. It has given three public entertainments. Chaplain Scott delivered the first lecture on the battle of Gettysburg; at the second Col. Gordon gave a very entertaining and profitable reading from Gen. Fry's book on military law. On the 6th inst., a debate was followed by a very unique and entertaining farce entitled "Look out for Brown" by the Acme Dramatic Club.

Our post has a fine orchestra band.

The officers gave a full dress hop New Year's night. It was largely attended.

Major William A. Rafferty with his bride is expected to reach Huachuca Jan. 23. Welcome. May the new home be bright and sunny.

Telegraph orders flashed into the post last week, which has taken Troop G, Capt. J. N. Wheeler, from Fort Stanton, N. M., and Troop C, Capt. Colton Augur, from Fort Wingate, N. M. This takes Capt. Wheeler and sister, Capt. Augur, Lieut. Hooker, Lieut. and Mrs. Brett, Lieut. and Mrs. Brainard, and Lieut. Wallace. We regret very much the departure of these friends; we had all settled down for the winter, were having the best of times, and although uncomfortably crowded in our quarters had become so adjusted that all were well contented to remain. But when lightning strikes in the Army none seem disposed to dodge. We are glad that our friends go to the best of posts. "God be with you 'til we meet again." *Adios.*

Miss O'Connell, a sister of Mrs. Capt. Regan, is spending the winter at the post.

Mrs. Thorn from San Francisco spent several weeks at the post as the guest of Col. and Mrs. Gordon. Mr. Thorn, the manager of the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, Cal., made a flying visit to the post, enjoying several days in visiting and hunting with Col. Gordon, then took his "guide" wife on a trip to Galveston.

Major A. H. Chaffee, the Inspector of the Department, has arrived, and we expect to be under his eagle eye for several days.

Capt. Fowler gave an interesting reading before the Literary Society Tuesday evening.

The Chaplain will deliver a lecture on "Investments" at the chapel Sunday night.

Mrs. Lieut. Sargent has returned from a visit home.

We welcome the newly-appointed chaplain to our corps. C. C. Vattman is the son of an old comrade in arms and a dear friend.

FORT APACHE, A. T.

A CORRESPONDENT writes: "The Army home of Captain and Mrs. William Beck, 10th U. S. Cav., at Ft. Apache, Ariz., was a veritable bower of mistletoe, palms and the tropical-looking Spanish dagger plants on the evening of Jan. 14, when all the guests of the post were assembled to witness the marriage of their daughter, Mamie, to Philip G. Walter, assistant surgeon, U. S. A., son of ex-Surgeon-General Walter, U. S. N. Such a pretty wedding in the wilds of Apache land, 100 miles from any other place or the railroad, is not without its halo of romance. The bride party left Fort Apache on Jan. 14 amid a shower of rice, with their mounted escort of soldiers and Indians, to spend their honeymoon at San Carlos, the post of the groom."

FORT SUPPLY, I. T.

Stray Shots has these items:

The Whist Club was entertained at the quarters of Capt. and Mrs. Bishop Monday eve.

The assignment of Major Kimball at Supply has been made permanent.

Capt. and Mrs. Bishop delightfully entertained the officers and ladies of the garrison on Wednesday evening.

The young folks and their friends attended the illustrated lecture on "Baron Munchausen's Adventures" Thursday night.

Major Bush and Mr. Lowe came Sunday with a big chest of money, and were guests of Capt. and Mrs. Auman during their stay.

The "D. A. G." people were lionized on Saturday. They had a luncheon at Capt. Auman's in the afternoon and a lively time at Col. Bryant's in the evening.

Somebody has removed those two Chicago stockings from the hall as they are of generous size and striped with brown, they will be easily recognized. Gen. Augur and the chaplain will make a tour of inspection early next week to see if they can be found.

Col. Bryant, Miss Katherine Auman and Lieut. Waite have been on the sick list the past week. Lieut. Waite is for duty. Miss Auman is able to use her violin. Col. Bryant sat up for a while on Thursday. As soon as Col. Bryant has recovered (which, let us hope, will be very soon) Mrs. Bryant intends giving a piano party.

A spelling bee is announced to occur about Feb. 1. There will be two prizes; the first of \$5 and the second \$3.

F. H. Buzzsaw has received orders for 23 Army Field Ovens this week.

FORT LEAVENWORTH.

The Kansas City Times says:

Capt. Henry Johnson, medical storekeeper, U. S. A., has petitioned Congress to place him on the retired list. He was appointed Aug. 15, 1885. He is at present on leave in New York City.

Lieut. Thomas G. Hanson, 19th Inf., has returned from the Hot Springs fully restored to health. Owing to his long continued absence from class studies he has applied to be ordered to join his company at Fort Wayne.

Lieut. Walker, 17th Inf., here to be examined, is the guest of Lieut. Little, 10th Inf.

Lieut. Trout, 9th Cav., arrived Monday with his bride from Fort Washakie. Both are the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Brooke. There was instruction in Kriegerpiel at Sherman hall Friday.

Maj. Cushing, Subsistence Department, has gone to St. Joseph.

Lieut. Robert J. Duff, 8th Cav., is here for examination. A son of Gen. Stanley stands No. 71 in the 4th Class out of a number of members.

Capt. Carr, 1st Cav., has been notified to remain here, as his troop with the remainder of the battalion will return here in a few days.

Mrs. Ketcham, mother of Mrs. Vestal, wife of Lieut. Vestal, 5th Cav., is visiting her daughter.

The Townsland Board has examined 27 officers, and the Bates Board 21.

It is understood Col. Tilford, 9th Cav., will ask to be retired July 1, 1891, when he will have completed 40 years' service.

Lieut. Woodbridge Geary, 19th Inf., has arrived for examination, and during his stay is the guest of Lieut. Little, 10th Inf.

Lieut. Trout, 9th Cav., and bride left Jan. 22 for Fort Monroe, Va. He expects to be in the East about four months.

Lieut. Schenck, 4th Inf., has arrived from Columbia, Mo., for examination for promotion.

Lieut. Moody, 2nd Inf., proudly boasts of a 12-pound recruit recently arrived in his family.

Lieut. Robinson, 7th Cav., has his little boy of 16 years with him. At Wounded Knee the boy was in the thickest of the fray and not being armed he quickly ran to where a soldier had fallen, grabbed his gun and fought like a tiger to the end. A few days later he was ever seen on the skirmish line, and the coolness and nerve under fire shows him a born soldier.

The Fort Leavenworth battalion is homeward bound. Every arrangement will be made for their reception. The entire infantry battalion, headed by the 12th Inf., will turn out under arms, meet the troops at the depot and escort them into the post.

Lieut. John P. Guilfoyle, 9th Cav., is here from Pine Ridge for examination for promotion. Of course it goes without saying that every one is pleased to meet him. He has seen considerable field service since he left last fall.

A correspondent writes from Pine Ridge: There is some talk of the 17th Infantry of Fort Russell, Wyo., changing posts with the 1st Regiment at San Francisco, but nothing official can be learned regarding it.

The Leavenworth cavalry battalion returned Jan. 28, after an absence in South Dakota of nearly two months. Their service has been, if anything, more arduous than those of any troops in the field, though they were in no engagement. Next Wednesday the officers of the Leavenworth battalion will be given a reception by Captain and Mrs. Whipple.

ST. FRANCIS BARRACKS, FLA.

A Herald correspondent writes:

The fate of the military post, which has long been hanging in the balance, has been decided at last in a manner very favorable to St. Augustine. Maj. Gen. Howard has just made his second visit to St. Augustine, and his plan of improvements includes an increase in the accommodations at the barracks, new quarters for officers and an artillery range on Anastasia Island.

Gen. Tompkins, chief Q. M., with Gen. H. H. Jackson, commanding St. Francis Barracks, and Capt. W. M. Black, C. E., visited the island recently for the purpose of inspecting the site for the battery on the lighthouse reservation. There is nothing like it in this country, the range at Sandy Hook being often intercepted by passing vessels.

LOS ANGELES, CAL.

The Evening Express has these items:

Gen. McCook contemplates an early visit to Hermosillo to confer with the Governor of Sonora, to see if the Mexican troops will not act more heartily in conjunction with ours.

Lieut. Clay, who has been inspector of rifle practice here for the last four years, has been relieved, owing to the expiration of his term. Lieut. Clay will be a loss to the staff of Gen. McCook not easily replaced. He is one of the finest shots in the Army, and with the pistol he is without a rival. It was due to his repeated and earnest recommendation that revolver practice was made part of the regular target season. Lieut. Clay won his spurs under Gen. McKenzie, Crook and Miles in the field from '78 to '86. His new station will be at Santa Fe.

Lt. Collins, Gen. McCook's acting engineer officer, has gone to San Francisco to be examined for promotion.

The Indianapolis Journal thinks that between its sealings and its redskins the Government is having a right lively time.

The new Brazilian Ministry includes Senor Frois, Minister of War, and Senor Vidal, Minister of Marine.

Until the present outbreak Chili had for 30 years been exempt from the South American epidemic of civil war.

GENERAL WOLSELEY is said to have stated that in his opinion "there is much less objection to a bridge over than to a tunnel underneath the British Channel."

THE STATE TROOPS.

Correspondence on subjects appertaining to this department of the paper is always gladly received. The wishes of contributors as to the use of their names will be scrupulously regarded.

INSPECTOR-GENERAL'S REPORT, NEW YORK.

BRIGADIER-GENERAL T. H. BARBER, Inspector-General, N. G., S. N. Y., in his annual report, announces the strength of the State force exclusive of brigade and general headquarters, to be 13,426 men, a loss of 406.

He recommends that superfluous departments be abolished on the expiration of the term of service of the present incumbents, that the rank of the heads of those departments in which the duties are comparatively light and the rank of the aides, with the exception of two, be reduced and their number curtailed. A limit should be placed upon the number of assistants in their rank prescribed, the highest to be sparingly conferred upon officers of experience and merit. The action of the present State authorities in the elimination of many unnecessary officers of high rank has had a salutary effect.

Gen. Barber praises the work of the Signal Corps of the 1st and 2d Brigades at camp, and recommends the study of topographical signs and map-making and the use of the heliograph. The detachments from the different batteries on duty at the State Camp of Instruction were models of neatness and soldierly conduct, but the artillery of the State is not in a satisfactory condition, as far as its own arm is concerned. The cavalry of the State consists of Troop A. The officers and men have accomplished much in their short service, and have manifested a prompt and willing obedience to orders and to the regulations.

The 45 separate companies throughout the State are in a satisfactory condition, with a few exceptions. The formation of battalions from these companies in camp, under command of the ranking captain, was successful.

Theoretical instruction should be given in the classroom to prevent long and tedious explanations on the drill-ground, protracted intervals between movements and the constant repetition of the same movement. Field officers ordered to supervise company drills should correct errors and give instruction where required. Their presence on the drill ground as inactive spectators is not sufficient.

The regiments of infantry are not all in a good condition; but reports of their neatness and soldierly bearing at the annual inspection and muster show in many cases an improvement within the last year. Of the regiments during the past season in camp who were subjected to a more rigid inspection Gen. Barber says: "The 9th Regiment was fair; showed an improvement and a desire to raise itself to the required standard. The 13th Regiment was good. The 14th Regiment was poor, both in discipline and in tactical instruction. The 69th Regiment was poor, both in discipline and in tactical instruction. The 65th Regiment was good. The 32d Regiment, which was not at the Camp of Instruction, was found, at the army inspection and muster, to be in bad condition." It is recommended that it be mustered out of the service, the improvement looked for during the past year not having occurred.

Gen. Barber recommends that the supernumerary list be abolished and the officers mustered out; instruction in bayonet exercise and the fostering of athletic sports; that some simple distinctive mark by which regiments could be at once known be adopted; that the general staff officers be permitted to wear the present braided coat and forage cap when on duty with troops; that in addition to the present term of five years, shorter terms of enlistment be allowed, two years for the first term and three years for the second; that all general and field officers be retired after 15 years, all captains after 10 years, and all lieutenants after 7 years' service, in the same grade, and that, in addition to the election of regimental company officers by the company, they should have a two-thirds favorable vote of the board of officers.

During the camp of 1890 the excellent behavior of the enlisted men and their almost universal obedience to orders in spite of great facilities for their infringement, was most remarkable. They showed a degree of self-respect worthy of high praise. It is suggested that a heavy artillery regiment be organized. The results of the annual inspections of 1890 are given as follows:

Up to the Standard.—First Brigade, 7th Regiment, 10 companies; 8th, 3; 9th, 1; 12th, 2; 22d, 7; 71st, 3; 2d Battery and Brigade Signal Corps; 2d Brigade, 13th, 8; 14th, 2; 23d, 10; 47th, 3; 17th Sep. Co.; 3d Battery; 2d Brigade Signal Corps; 3d Brigade, 10th Batt., 3; 6th Battery; Sep. Cos., 5, 6, 10, 16, 19, 20, 21, 22, 27, 32, 33, 39, and 44; 4th Brigade, 65th Regiment, 4; 74th, 3; 5th Battery; Sep. Cos., 2, 8, 6, 26, 30, 34, 41, 42, and 43.

Nearly Up to the Standard.—First Brigade, 8th Regiment, 3 companies; 9th, 4; 12th, 6; 22d, 2; 69th, 3; 71st, 2; 2d Brigade, 14th, 1; 32d, 1; 47th, 2; 3d Brigade, 1; 10th Batt., 1; 4th Brigade, 65th, 3; 74th, 2.

Below the Standard.—First Brigade, 8th Regiment, 2 companies; 9th, 5; 12th, 2; 22d, 1; 69th, 7; 71st, 4; 1st Batt.; Troop A; 2d Brigade, 13th, 2; 14th, 7; 32d, 8; 47th, 3; 4th Brigade, 65th, 1; 74th, 2; 13, 29, 38, 40, 45, companies.

The books and records throughout the National Guard are said to be not uniformly kept, and in many instances are so incorrect as to be of no value as a record. In the 3d Brigade the best results are attained, which is to be attributed to careful supervision from brigade headquarters.

Seventh New York.—Colonel D. Appleton.

COMPANIES E, Capt. Rhoads, and F, Capt. Rand, assembled for battalion drill on Tuesday night, Jan. 20. As is customary in this organization, the attendance was excellent, Co. E having 79 enlisted men and 3 officers at the roll call and Co. F 90 enlisted men and 3 officers. The assembly was sounded promptly. The movements were confined to the more simple ones, comprising on right and left front into line, marching in line of battle, breaking from right to march to left, etc. The movements were executed in double and quick time and by oral command and bugle call. Col. Appleton commanded the battalion, and the two companies were divided into six commands of 12 files, which was effected without delay. In the present to the colonel the commandant of the second company did not execute any movement until the second command. This was probably due to inattention. At the command march, the weight of the body should be thrown on the right foot. In contrast

with the majority of the companies of the Guard, the first step was no heavier than the rest. The execution of the movements in double time was excellent, distance, except in the third company, being well kept. On the left into line an interval of over a yard existed between the second and third companies when the battalion was in line. There is no necessity for guides, when marking the alignment, to make a step to the left or right when a company is brought to support arms. The manual throughout the drill was very good, with the exception that many men were slow in dropping their hands, and at the order the pieces were brought to the ground with a decided bang. At one instance the completion of the movement right front into line, face to the rear, was delayed by the failure of the commandant of the fourth company to bring his command to support arms. At the command "on the centre dress" the commandant of the fourth company did not dress his company well up, and as a consequence there was an interval of over a yard between it and the next company. The colonel repeated the movement, which was executed the second time in better style. The wheelings were excellent, the men keeping the touch of elbow towards the pivot and all looking towards the marching flank. The execution of the movements by the bugle call were not thoroughly successful, some of the officers, apparently not being perfectly familiar with the calls. The right into line from column of fours was particularly bad, the first company being faced directly to the rear of the marching column. Had the markers been posted properly without delay after the announcement of the movement to be executed, the mistake should not, and probably would not, have occurred. The colors were taken from and to headquarters without a fault.

Too much praise cannot be given Adj. Landon, who received his commission the week before the above drill. His conducting of the formation was very snappy; he has an excellent voice, and throughout the drill, acting in the capacity of junior field officer, he showed a thorough knowledge of the tactics. Mr. Landon will undoubtedly prove a valuable assistant to Col. Appleton, and we congratulate the regiment.

Co. H, Capt. C. E. Lydecker, will give an entertainment at the armory on the evening of Feb. 4. Dances at 9 o'clock. Serg. C. F. Clark is chairman of the entertainment committee.

Twelfth New York.—Colonel H. Dowd.

The regiment will parade for review by Brig.-Gen. C. F. Robbins, general inspector of rifle practice, on Thursday, Feb. 5, on which occasion the "Butt Trophy," for the highest percentage in rifle practice, will be presented by ex-Lt. McCoskey. But, the donor, to the winner, Co. B, Capt. C. S. Burns. The figure of merit of the various companies in the above competition is as follows: Co. B, 91.13; Co. F, 50.00; Co. G, 42.54; Co. A, 34.00; Co. I, 34.00; Co. H, 33.00; Co. D, 32.80; Co. K, 31.36; Co. G, 27.14; Co. E, 26.11. At the meeting of the regimental rifle club last Monday the by-laws were adopted, and it was decided that future competitions for the "Rifler Trophy" be held on Wednesday evening instead of Saturday as heretofore. The annual meeting of the club will be held on April 1, the dues are reduced to \$1 per year, and hereafter there will be no initiation fee. The next competition will probably take place, Feb. 12.

SOME COMING EVENTS.

We have received notification of the following:
Jan. 31.—Review of the 23d N. Y.
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Feb. 2.—Annual drill and full dress reception, Battalion of State Fencibles, P. N. G., Philadelphia, Pa.
Feb. 2.—Ball of the 69th N. Y. at Madison Square Garden.
Feb. 4.—Enter alignment of Co. H, 7th N. Y., at armory.
Feb. 5.—Review and presentation of "Butt Trophy," 12th N. Y., at armory.
Feb. 9.—Invitation reception, Co. I, 1st N. Y., at armory.
Feb. 9.—Review of 18th N. Y. at armory.
Feb. 14.—Joint meeting, 1st Regt., Mass. V. M., and Boston Athletic Association, at Boston.
Feb. 14.—Promenade concert, 23d N. Y., Gilmore's Band, at armory.
Feb. 21.—Athletic games, 23d N. Y.
Feb. 21.—Review and presentation of badges, 8th N. Y., at armory.
Feb. 23.—Ball of Non-com. Officers, 13th N. Y., at armory, Brooklyn.
Feb. 26.—Annual ball, 1st Battery, N. Y., at armory, West 44th street, N. Y. City.
March 23.—Review of 18th N. Y.
April 15.—Athletic games, 12th N. Y.
April 20.—Review of 13th N. Y., at armory.

VARIOUS.

Gov. Geo. W. Peck, of Wisconsin, through orders promulgated by Adj. Gen. Doe, announces the following appointments on his staff: Brig.-Gen. Joseph B. Doe, adj. and insp. gen.; Otto H. Falk, Q. M. and com. gen.; Nicholas Senn, surg. gen.; Col. Gordon H. Winsor, D. C. general inspector small arms practice; Albert H. Hollister, A. D. C. acting engineer in chief; Gustave G. Pabst, A. D. C.; Thos. P. Dover, A. D. C.; Geo. W. Peck, Jr., A. D. C.; Frederick H. Hankerson, A. D. C.; Clarence L. Clark, military secretary and A. D. C.

Gov. R. E. Pattison, of Pennsylvania, announces the following staff appointment: Brig.-Gen. Wm. McClelland, adjutant general.

The several companies of the 7th N. Y. who have held at various times receptions at Lexox Lyceum are beginning to feel that, while the Lyceum may be a much prettier building than the Armory in some ways, the feeling of sociability and possession which is engendered by holding dances at the armory is rapidly working to its advantage, and most of the entertainments of the present season will be held in the regiment's own building.

The elegant apartments of the 7th Regiment Veteran Club, at 5th av. and 58th st., N. Y. City, were crowded with members and guests on the evening of Jan. 24, the occasion being the presentation of life-size pastel portraits to the club of Gen. Abram Duryee and Col. Marshal Lefferts, both celebrated as former commandants of the regiment. Gen. F. P. Earle was chairman of the committee of arrangements. Brig.-Gen. Louis Fitzgerald made the presentation with an interesting speech, to which Col. L. Winchester appropriately responded, accepting the portraits on behalf of the club. Col. Daniel Appleton was enthusiastically received, and in a happy speech said the regiment would be glad to have the support of the veterans. Gen. Jardine also spoke with effect, and the club later entertained Col. Appleton, his officers and others. Every one seemed in the best of spirits, and it can be safely assumed that hands are now clasped between the ex and active members of the 7th Regiment, and we hope it may be always so.

The plans for the new armory of the 1st Regiment, N. Y., having the most merit, are those of J. R. Thomas, J. P. Lee, J. E. Ware, O. L. Rogers, "Golden Rod," and "Experto Crede." Some of the architects in the exterior plans of the building, have taken into consideration the character of the neighborhood, and provided for a building that will be an ornament to it. It is an important consideration as far as property owners are concerned.

The 13th Regiment, N. Y., Armory Commission, Jan. 25, decided to give Architects B and three or four days in which to cut down his plans and specifications so that the cost of a building erected under them would be reduced about \$108,000.

The special event of interest in military circles in New York City next week is the grand ball of the 69th Regiment at Madison Square Garden on Monday, Feb. 2. A large number of military men and civilians are to be present, and many out-of-town organizations will be represented. It promises to be the most brilliant reception yet given by the regiment.

The Inspector-General of Rifle Practice, Massachusetts V. M., has made certain suggestions, it is said, to the N. R. A., through Captain Shephard, which, if carried out, will probably insure the presence of a Massachusetts rifle team at Creedmoor this fall.

We have received from Capt. H. C. Brown, I. R. P., 23d N. Y., a neatly prepared order, giving the list of marksmen in the regiment for the year 1890 and general figure of merit, the latter for the entire regiment being 55.97. Out of 794 men practicing on the range 764 qualified as marksmen. Capt. Ezra De Forest and W. L. Candel, and Ord. Sergt. C. E. Bryant have qualified as marksmen for 15 successive years.

The delinquency court of the 1st Brigade, N. Y., Gen. Fitzgerald, consisting of Capt. W. H. Kirby, 12th Regt.; Capt. D. A. Nesbit, 7th Regt., and Capt. G. E. B. Hart, 22d Regt., will meet for the trial of delinquents on Feb. 16.

Co. I, 71st N. Y., will hold an invitation reception at the armory, 45th street and Broadway, on Monday evening, Feb. 9.

Gov. Fifer, of Illinois, in his message to the Senate and House of Representatives, referring to the able and exhaustive report of Adj.-Gen. Vance, says: "The appropriations asked for in the report seem reasonable, and I recommend that they be allowed. The report also contains many wise suggestions looking to the future efficiency and usefulness of the Guard, which suggestions I commend to your most favorable consideration."

Gov. Reynolds, of Delaware, has appointed Garrett J. Hart, of Wilmington, adjutant-general, to succeed Gen. Kenny.

The State military board of New Jersey has advertised for plans for a new armory for the 1st Battalion of Paterson. Architects have till noon March 2 to send in their designs to the Adjutant-General's Office, in Trenton. The cost of erection and equipment is limited to \$100,000. A prize of \$150 is offered for the best plan and \$75 for the second best.

The Board of Examination for officers of the 3d Brigade, N. Y., Gen. Oliver, consists of the following: Major Herman Bendall, surg., and Major Chas. H. Gaus, I. R. P., 3d Brigade; Capt. Horatio P. Stapople, Co. B, 10th Battin., and Capt. James H. Lloyd, 21st Sep. Co. The headquarters of the brigade is at 45 Willett street, Albany, N. Y.

The announcement that it will soon become necessary to issue new morning report and descriptive books to the N. G. S. N. Y., to replace those issued some five years ago, will lead to a universal hope that a new and simpler form of book be devised in place of the complicated and, in some respects, useless form at present in use.

The new adjutant-general of Pennsylvania, Wm. McClelland, was born March 2, 1842, in Mount Jackson, Lawrence (then a part of Beaver) county, Pennsylvania, and was educated in the public schools and for short terms attended college. He served in the War of the Rebellion when, after four years of active service, he was honorably mustered out. He participated in 22 of the principal battles fought by the Army of the Potomac, and was slightly wounded at the capture of Petersburg April 1, 1865.

Capt. David Wilson, 2d N. Y. Battery, was in Philadelphia a few days ago in connection with the visit of a detachment of his battery to that city on Feb. 2, where, by invitation of Major Chew, of the State Fencibles, the detachment from the "Second" take part in the grand ball of the "Fencibles," and also give an exhibition drill. The battery will be quartered in the armory and will probably stay in Philadelphia all day after the ball. The annual reception of the 2d Battery will be held at the armory on Friday, Feb. 20. Review by Major-Gen. Josiah Porter, Adjutant-General, S. N. Y., at 9.30, and military march, at 11.30, will be the principal feature of the evening. The battery will attend divine service on Sunday, Feb. 2—sermon by the Rev. Dr. Maynard—at St. Thomas's Church, 5th avenue and 63d street.

Col. J. C. Howe, 2d Regiment, Ohio N. G., has been re-elected colonel of the regiment for a second term. The election was unanimous. Col. Howe was called upon for a speech and made one most encouraging to the officers and men of the regiment.

The 8th N. Y. Regiment, Col. Scott, will assemble at the armory, for drill and instruction, on the following evenings: Guard mount and duties of sentinels—Cos. F and H, Monday, Feb. 2; Cos. D and E, Tuesday, Feb. 10; Cos. G and I, Wednesday, Feb. 12; Cos. B and C, Thursday, Feb. 12. Six-week drill, loadings and fringes—Cos. F and H, Monday, Feb. 9; Cos. D and E, Tuesday, Feb. 3; Cos. G and I, Wednesday, Feb. 11; Cos. B and C, Thursday, Feb. 5. Battalion drill, Monday, Feb. 16. Review and presentation of marksmen's badges by Brig.-Gen. Charles F. Robbins, on Saturday evening, Feb. 21.

Col. J. N. Partridge, 23d N. Y. Regiment, last Saturday evening, was given a complimentary dinner at the Union Club House by field, staff and captains. Besides the colonel, there were present: Lieut.-Col. A. C. Smith, Major C. H. Waters, Major E. Spencer, surgeon; Capt. E. De Forest, Capt. W. L. Candee, Capt. B. O. Thorn, Capt. D. B. Aldridge, Capt. J. S. Shepherd, Capt. Charles R. Silkman, Capt. C. L. Cochrane, Capt. F. L. Holmes, Adjutant F. W. Silcock, Commissary Richard Oliver and Quartermaster G. E. Hall. Lieut. James B. Cahoon, Naval Battalion, Mass. V. M., has resigned, and will be succeeded by his classmate at the U. S. Naval Academy, Mr. L. O. Garrett.

Brig.-Gen. R. H. Orton, Adjutant-General of California, upon his own application, and in accordance with Political Code, is placed on the "Retired List" of the National Guard, with the rank of brigadier-general, from Nov. 1, 1887. Colonel Charles C. Allen, 7th Infantry, 1st Brigade, N. C., has been appointed Adjutant-General, vice Orton, retired.

Col. William A. Bancroft, 1st Infantry, Col. Thomas R. Mathews, 5th Infantry, and Lieut.-Col. Thomas F. Eiman, 1st Corps Cadets, Massachusetts V. M., constitute a board to select a design for the long-service medal.

Co. H, 23d N. Y., in unanimously choosing Capt. W. H. Hussey, I. R. P., captain of the company, have made a wise move. Capt. Hussey for a brief period before his election had been detailed to temporarily command the company, which was not then in good condition, and was gradually on the decline. With the advent of Capt. Hussey, however, a transformation was at once evident, and things began to boom. The membership of the company has increased some 20 men within the past few weeks, and its future is very promising. Capt. Hussey is a first class drill master and a hard worker.

The 1st Battery, N. Y., Capt. Louis Wendel, Jan. 30 elected C. F. Engelman 1st lieutenant. The election was unanimous, and Lt.-elect Engelman will undoubtedly prove a valuable addition to the battery.

Adj. Gen. M. L. Hawkins, of Ohio, announces that the regimental organizations heretofore known and designated as the 3d and 13th Regts. of Infantry are disbanded, and all the field, staff and non-com. staff officers of said regiments, except Maj. Eli Davis, Surg. John A. Sterritt and 1st Lt. and Regimental Q. M. Chas. C. Shuman, 3d Regt. and Lt.-Col. Chas. Anthony and Maj. Burt H. Whitely, 13th Regt., are honorably mustered out of the military service of the State. The several remaining companies of said 3d and 13th Regiments are formed into a regiment, to be known and designated as the 3d Regt. of Inf. The field and staff officers of said disbanded regiments, retained in the service, are assigned to duty in their respective positions to said 3d Regt. Lt.-Col. Chas. Anthony, being officer of said 3d Regt., will assume command thereof.

The Chinese Viceroy, Li-Hung Chang, having dismissed one British officer, Admiral Lang, now wishes to secure for his fleet Rear Admiral Colomb, but he finds that British service sentiment does not permit this, an apology to Admiral Lang being first in order.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Curious.—You stand about 45 on commissary sergeant list.

Justice.—The 3d U. S. Infantry has been in the Department of Dakota since October, 1877.

E. J. A.—The address of Gauthier, Villiers et Fils, is Quai des Grandes Augustines, 55, Paris, France.

A. S. F.—Lieut. R. A. Lovell left the Army by resignation Jan. 1, 1890. His address is not known to us.

S. E.—Read carefully G. O. 129, A. G. O., of Oct. 20, 1890, published in JOURNAL of Nov. 1, 1890, page 152.

J. R.—There are three vacancies for hospital stewards, U. S. A., but six approved candidates not yet appointed.

P. R.—We prefer not to reply to questions affecting matters of discipline, as between officers and men of their companies.

Questio Vexata and others.—See answer to S. E. S. in JOURNAL of Jan. 24, page 376, in regard to clothing allowance under G. O. 61, A. G. O., of 1890.

A. C. H.—For information concerning the new steel ships apply to the Secretary of the Navy for copies of his annual report for the past three years.

Cavalryman.—Major Joel H. Elliott, 7th Cav., was killed Nov. 17, 1888, at the battle of the Washita, I. T. That was nearly eight years before the Custer massacre.

P.—Time served both as a commissioned officer and enlisted man during the war counts double towards retirement for enlisted men now in the Army who have such service.

M. N.—See JOURNAL of Jan. 17, page 353, in regard to the National Association of Veterans of the Mexican War. Mr. A. M. Kenaday, 507 F street, Washington, D. C., is the Secretary.

Beatrice, Neb.—Write to the Commissioner of Pensions, and to the Adjutant General of the Army, Washington, D. C. Give as full description as you can of the soldier whose address you desire.

G. C.—Yes. Civilian employees may purchase fur clothing at established prices, when, in the opinion of post commanders, their duties are such that they actually need them. See par. 1303, A. R., 1889.

A. H. asks why Admiral Walker's squadron is called the Squadron of Evolution. Ans.—It was so designated by the Secretary of the Navy for the reason that it was intended to develop something new in the way of manœuvres, drills, etc.

J. W. W.—Write to the adjutant, Military Academy, West Point, N. Y., for a copy of the Cadet Register for 1890, which gives detailed information as to the character and extent of the physical and academic examinations required of applicants for cadetships.

Constant Reader, Fort Sully, asks: Which is proper for a sentinel on No. 1 post to call when the O. D. approaches the guardhouse between retreat and taps? Is he to call the sergeant of the guard, O. D., or corporal of the guard O. D.? Ans.—Corporal of the guard, officer of the day.

Veritas asks: Does an order given by the officer of the day hold good for all successive guards while he is on duty as such, or only for the day that certain order is given? Ans.—Much would depend upon the nature of the order. If of general nature and of continuous benefit to the Service and to the duty which the guard has to perform, then it would be in force until revoked by competent authority.

P. asks: Can an enlisted man now in the Army, who served as a commissioned officer during the war, count double time towards retirement, and does the time served as an enlisted man up to date of commission count double? Ans.—Yes, if the service was within the limits (April 15, 1861, to May 1, 1865).

Sergeant, Detroit, Mich., asks: 1. Can a company be dismissed at fixed bayonets or must the sergeant unfurl before dismissing? Ans.—A company may be dismissed at fixed bayonets.

2. Is it proper for a captain to tell the sergeant to dismiss the company while they are at order arms? Ans.—Yes.

2d C. N. G. writes: Nothing in par. 217 of Keenon's Manual allows the sentinel to call the corporal of the guard; if the response to his challenge was simply "Friends," should he call the corporal? Ans.—Common sense should settle such a point. If the party approaching has not the countersign, the sentinel cannot pass him nor allow him to depart. He must therefore call for the corporal of the guard.

Would-be soldier, Grand Rapids, Mich., asks: 1. The tactics (infantry) gave the position of the 2d sergeant (left guide) two yards in rear of left file of company. When does he take his position on the left, corresponding to the position of the 1st sergeant (right guide) on the right as left guide? Ans.—When the company is divided into platoons, par. 180, Tactics.

2. How may I obtain the last report of the Board of Visitors to West Point? Ans.—Write to the War Department for it.

3. Where can I obtain the book which contains the physical examination to enlist? Ans.—Write to the Adjutant General of the Army, Washington, D. C., for a copy of Tripler's Manual, latest edition.

I. O. U.—According to the statement of service given we infer that the soldier is not entitled to the back pay nor the continuous service pay provided for by the act of Aug. 4, 1854, for the reason that he was discharged before expiration of term of service. It has been ruled that discharge before end of enlistment cuts off additional pay on re-enlistment, and that the additional pay per month for re-enlistment under act of Aug. 4, 1854, is not due to a soldier discharged by order of the War Department before expiration of term of enlistment who re-enlists within one month from such discharge. A discharge by sentence of General Court-martial before expiration of term of service, though not specially mentioned as a dishonorable one, is not such a discharge as is contemplated by the law of 1854. The bill for the increase of pay of 1st sergeants, now pending, does not apply to band sergeants (acting 1st sergeants of bands).

ORDNANCE NOTES.

The Ordnance Department of the Army has awarded the contract for 1,500 32 inch steel welded case shrapnel to the Thompson Electric Welding Company, of Boston.

The New York Times has engaged in a controversy with the president of the Pneumatic Gun Carriage Company, who disputes its statement that the experimental carriage furnished to the Navy Department has been sent to the scrap heap. The carriage failed in the test given it in 1889. It was then changed in some respects and given a new trial. Concerning the report upon the improved carriage the Times says: "The report is clearly such a one as would have justified the Secretary of the Navy in rejecting the carriage entirely, but he was not inclined to impose a hardship on the company, especially as it is the policy of the Department to encourage inventors, and so, to end all controversy

in the matter, he accepted the carriage and paid for it."

The subject of rapid-fire guns for coast defence purposes was discussed at considerable length by the Ordnance and Fortification Board at its last session, resulting in a conclusion to make an allotment for the purchase of one gun each of the several leading types of foreign manufacture for test in competition with the Driggs Schroeder and Hotchkiss already contracted for. The Ordnance Department of the Army is now making arrangements for the purchase of one of the latest improved Armstrong 6-inch rapid-fire guns and a 3.94-inch Canet gun in accordance with the decision of the board.

The steel jacket was successfully put on the first 12 inch, built-up breechloading rifle for the Navy at the Washington Ordnance Foundry Jan. 27. It was lowered into a furnace and heated until it had expanded sufficiently to slip easily over the tube. When it was cooled it had shrunk so tightly into place that the only way it could ever be removed would be by putting it on a lathe and turning it off.

Captain Chas. Shaler, Ordnance Department, U. S. A., commandant of the Sandy Hook Proving Ground, is busy with the preliminaries for the erection of an important mortar battery, about one mile from the Sandy Hook fort. The project is receiving a good deal of newspaper attention.

The interesting and difficult operation of putting on the steel jacket of the first 12-inch built-up breechloading gun for the Navy was successfully performed at the Washington Navy yard Jan. 27. This gun, when completed, will be one of the pair of 12-inch guns to be carried in the forward turret of the coast-defence vessel Monterey.

A HEADLESS corpse found in the bathroom of the Hotel Carol, Kustendji, was found to be that of a major in the Rumanian Army, whose ill treatment of his orderlies resulted in his murder.

THERE being a rumor that Gen. Wolsley was to be sent temporarily to Canada, inquiry at the British War Office brought out the fact that the General received an invitation from Sir George Stephen to go to Canada for some salmon fishing, applied for leave, and was informed it would not be convenient to allow him to go at present in view of the coming redistribution of the military forces in Ireland.

PATENTS FOR MILITARY INVENTIONS.

A selected list of patents reported especially for the U. S. ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL, by MUNN and CO., Patent Attorneys, 361 Broadway, New York, bearing date January 27, 1891:

Nye, Denham and Knudson, Lake Park, Iowa, hand hold for guns.

Louis Gathmann, Chicago, Ill., method of loading ordnance.

Henry Love, Creusot, France, double action revolver.

Franklin Ewior, Jr., Atlantic Highlands, N. J., apparatus for applying sheathing to the hulls of vessels.

J. F. Hodgetts, London, Eng., ironclad vessels.

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GLEBORNE—DU VAL.—At Indianapolis, Jan. 20, ARTHUR G. GLEBORNE, son of Medical Director C. J. Gleborne, U. S. N., to NINA LANSDALE, daughter of the late Edmund Bryce Du Val, and niece of Medical Director P. Lansdale, U. S. N.

KREPS—THOMPSON.—At Mendocino, Pa., Jan. 21, Lieut. J. F. Kreps, 2nd U. S. Infantry, to Miss HAZEL THOMPSON.

NIXON—WOOD.—At Washington, D. C., Jan. 20, Miss SALLIE LEWIS WOOD, daughter of General Thos. J. Wood, U. S. A., to Assistant Naval Constructor LEWIS NIXON, U. S. Navy.

RICHARDS—KING.—At New York City, Jan. 24, JAMES G. KING, son of Major LEONARD RICHARDS, daughter of Col. Cornelius Low King, formerly of the U. S. Army.

THRADWELL—ABEY.—At New York City, Jan. 27, Mr. ABEY THRADWELL, son of the late Col. Thomas J. Thradwell, U. S. A., to Miss MARION ABEY.

THOUT—HUNT.—At Rock Springs, Wyo., Jan. 15, Lieut. HARRY G. THOUT, 9th U. S. Cavalry, to Miss EDITH S. HUNT, daughter of Lieutenant Colonel Andrew S. Hunt, 7th U. S. Infantry.

WALES—BECK.—At Fort Apache, Arizona, on the evening of January 14, at the quarters of the bride's father, MARIE BECK to Lieut. PHILIP GRAY WALES, son of ex-Surgeon-General P. S. Wales, U. S. Navy, Washington, D. C.

DIED.

BERNARD.—At Jefferson Barracks, Mo., January 20, Mrs. ALICE V. BERNARD, wife of Colonel R. F. Bernard, U. S. A.

BIGLOW.—At Pittsfield, Mass., Jan. 14, Mrs. CHARLES H. BIGLOW, widow of Captain Chas. H. Bigelow, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A.

BATON.—At Detroit, Michigan, Jan. 16, Mr. CHARLES S. BATON, father of the wife of Lieutenant R. P. Pondleton, 2nd U. S. Infantry.

GARRECH.—At Washington, D. C., Jan. 21, MARIE L. GARRECH, daughter of the late Colonel Julius P. Garreche, Adjutant General's Department, U. S. Army.

INGERSOLL.—At Springfield, Mass., Jan. 20, Major EDWARD INGERSOLL, U. S. Army, retired.

MCENTRE.—At Rondout, N. Y., Jan. 27, JERVIS MCENTRE, brother of the wife of Major John N. Andrews, 21st U. S. Infantry.

ROBERTSON.—At Plattsburgh, N. Y., Jan. 25, Hrevet Brig. General JAMES M. ROBERTSON, Major U. S. Army, retired.

SESSIONS.—At Porterdale, Georgia, Jan. 23, Mrs. SARAH E. SESSIONS, mother of Mrs. Kate S. Barnhart, of Washington, D. C.

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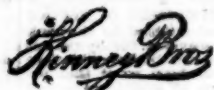
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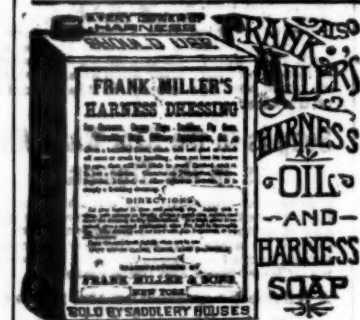
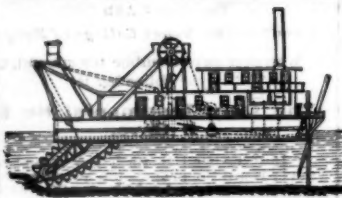
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